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Church council paper is criticized by CJC

By
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TORONTO —
Canadian Jewish Congress has taken issue with a church group's statement on the Middle East which Congress said ignored a number of key aspects of the current conflict there.

A Position Paper on the Middle East published by the Canadian Council of Churches fails to recognize that the root of the Arab-Israeli conflict lies in the refusal of Arab states (other than Egypt) to recognize Israel's right to existence, Congress president Les Scheininger said in a news release.

The Church document also misinterprets United Nations Resolutions 242 and 338, Scheininger stated, which, contrary to the group's assertions, do not call for the establishment of a Palestinian state.

The Congress president, who promised to take a strong advocacy role for Israel when elected last May, also stated that "We are distressed that an indivisible Jerusalem under Israeli sovereignty should have come under criticism from the Council."

The church council's nine-page position paper, recently approved by its general board, covers a number of issues in the Middle East, including the status of churches in the region, Canada's role in the area's conflicts, the Israeli-Palestinian imbroglio, the Iran-Iraq conflict, the situation in Lebanon and human rights in Syria. The city of Jerusalem is given separate treatment in the paper.

The "core" to the Arab-Israeli dispute is the "painful struggle between Israelis and Palestinians over one land," the church council stated. "This is a conflict between two rights: on the one hand, the right of the Jewish people to a recognized homeland with safe and secure borders, and on the other, the right of the Palestinians to self determination, including the right of establishing a sovereign Palestinian homeland. Neither people can claim its human and political rights at the expense of the other."

The Council calls for "a negotiated solution based on justice and a shared recognition of the rights and aspirations of both parties."

It states that it is "grieved by the suffering of the Palestinian people whose human rights are being daily violated by the Israeli authorities, and by the dilemma in which the Israeli people find themselves."

The Council calls for a peaceful settlement based on UN Resolutions 242 and 338, which would include recognition by all states in the region of Israel's right to exist peaceably, and the right of the Palestinians to self-determination, "including the right of establishing a sovereign Palestinian state."

The Council also called for "a UN-sponsored peace conference" to include negotiations between Israel, the Palestine Liberation Organization and neighboring Arab states.

In other sections of its position paper, the Council noted the concern of human rights groups over the treatment of "certain groups" in Syria, "including the small Jewish community that remains

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HUSSEIN MEETS BB

A senior B'nai Brith Canada delegation met recently with Jordan's King Hussein. From left are Brian Morris, national chairman, B'nai Brith Canada Institute for International affairs; Moishe Smith, president B'nai Brith Canada; King Hussein of Jordan; Frank Dimant, executive vice-president and Paul Marcus, national director, Institute for International affairs. See story page 3.

'Frisco Jewish buildings suffer minor damage

NEW YORK (JTA) —
Synagogues and other Jewish institutions in the San Francisco Bay Area sustained relatively minor damage as a result of the major earthquake that rocked the area last week, initial reports indicate.

Structural engineers examined synagogues and Jewish communal institutions in the San Francisco, Oakland and San Jose areas Wednesday to determine if congregants and staff members could enter safely.

Even those buildings located in badly struck areas escaped relatively unscathed, although they sustained some cracking from the quake, which measured 6.9 on the Richter scale.

"Several synagogues indicated a little bit of plaster falling from the ceilings, bookcases strewing books," said Doug Kahn, director of the Jewish Community Relations Council of San Francisco, the Peninsula, Marin and Sonoma Counties.

Reached by telephone, Kahn said that in addition to the synagogues, Jewish federation buildings in both San Francisco and Oakland had only superficial damage.

Kahn, along with most San Franciscans reached by telephone, focused on the mounting toll of deaths and injuries from the earthquake, the vast majority of which occurred when a highway collapsed in the Oakland area.

"All in the Jewish community here, first and foremost, mourn the tragic loss of life," Kahn said. He added that it was still too early to learn the identities of the victims of the disaster.

Kahn said that as "shaken and devastated" as the community is, there is still a sense of hope and relief that the damage to homes and institutions had not been more extensive.

Temple Sinai, which is located near where the highway collapsed, had a stained glass window broken during the quake, and had some plaster fall.

Temple Shearith Israel, half a mile from the Marina District of San Francisco, which suffered building collapses and a devastating fire, was not seriously damaged.

It was the second major earthquake the synagogue has survived. Built in 1904, the synagogue not only made it through San Francisco's 1906 earthquake, but served temporarily as the city's town hall and courthouse while

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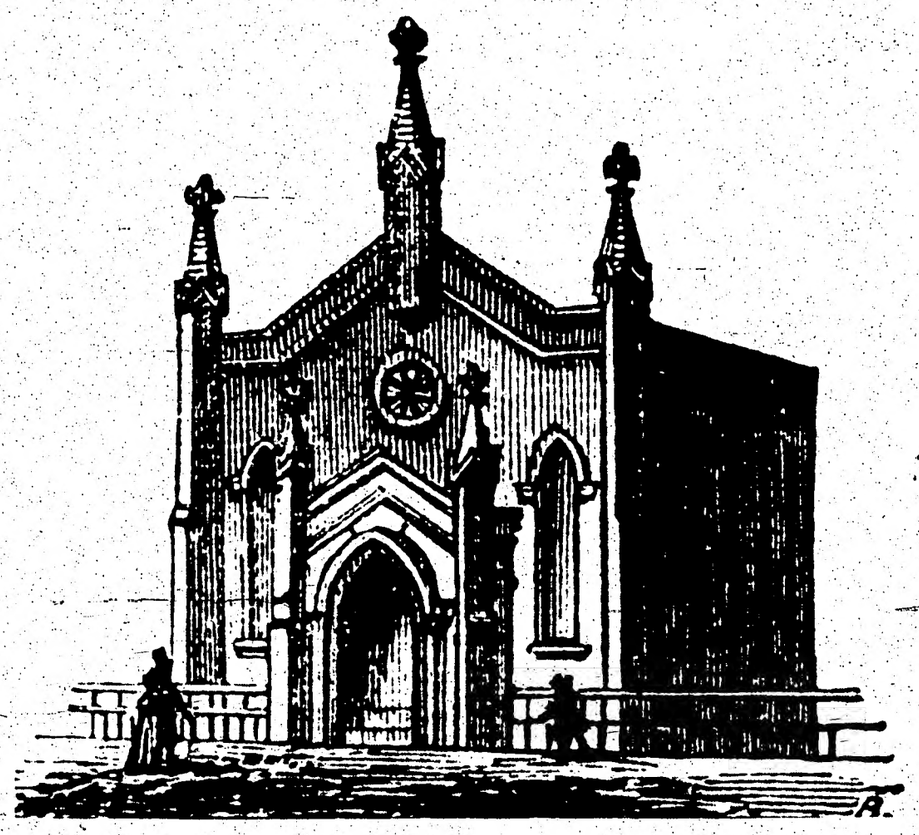

Drawing of the synagogue of the Shearith Israel congregation, San Francisco, Calif., founded in 1850.

Jewish groups tell education inquiry

New religion program needed

TORONTO —
The current program of religious instruction in public schools should be immediately scrapped; if instead, it is replaced, the new curriculum should be "sensitive, neutral and non-promotional," a committee of the Ontario legislature was told last week.

A new program should "not impose any particular view," but should "attempt to inform students about various beliefs," a brief from the Canadian Jewish Congress stated.

A similar recommendation was advanced by a two-person delegation of the League for Human Rights of B'nai Brith Canada, who said that teaching only one religion offends the sensibilities of those who profess other faiths.

A brief presented for the League by its national director, Karen Mock, and lawyer Simon Adler, suggested "that religious indoctrination classes in public schools represent a state choice of one religion (or sect)...and a state refusal to treat other religions equally."

That is just as unconstitutional as the onetime requirement in Ontario to open the school day with the Lord's Prayer, the League suggested.

In its brief last week, Congress recommended that training to prepare teachers to handle a world religions course be made "mandatory" and that "religious communities and other interested parties" be consulted about the curriculum.

Such a program should begin only when children have attained a level of maturity and understanding that enables them to comprehend the issues involved, and should not begin before Grade 7, the inquiry was told.

The brief, delivered by Congress' joint community relations committee chairman David Satok, came during hearings conducted by a ministerial inquiry into religious education headed by Glen Watson. Watson is due to report on Jan. 30, 1990.

The committee is investigating the status of religious education in public elementary schools in the wake of a court challenge to the constitutionality of the practice brought by the Canadian Civil Liberties Association versus the Elgin County school board, and following an Ontario Court of Appeal decision that prohibited exclusive use of the Lord's Prayer as an opening exercise in Ontario schools (the Zylberberg case).

Congress and B'nai Brith have for many years lobbied against both practices and both obtained intervenor status in the Elgin County case. They argue that as a result of the religious instruction, often from a fundamentalist Christian point of view, Jewish and other minority children are placed in a coercive, unpalatable situation.

If the children choose to leave the class they are subject to ridicule and taunting by their classmates, creating peer pressure to stay in the class and be subject to Christian proselytizing, the Jewish groups say.

Congress told the Watson committee that in lieu of the promotion of any particular religion, teaching "about" religion is "a goal to consider." If religious education must venture into that area, "the utmost care and sensitivity" is required.

The League came to a similar conclusion, suggesting that "any program of indoctrination in religion that does not treat all religions and the option of no religion equally, is unconstitutional."

It suggested replacing the current program with classes about religions and that the curriculum be redesigned by the Ministry of Education — not local school boards, teachers and schools.

"The curriculum must be one of academic study on a comparative but non-judgmental basis of all religions represented in Ontario and must make the students aware that many chose to profess no religion," the League suggested.

"The theme of the course must be to inculcate respect for the conscientious choices of others and an understanding of the concept that there are several, equally valid, paths to express religious feelings or the dictates of one's conscience."

Congress' brief recommended the inquiry consider a set of curriculum guidelines adopted by the American Jewish Congress that include:

- "The approach to religion be academic, not devotional."
- The acceptance of any particular religion should not be advocated.
- Students should be exposed to a variety of religious views and the curriculum should attempt to promote religious tolerance.

Satok later told The CJN that when asked by Watson to comment about the existing guidelines that permit religious education, he said they are "so open ended they allow for misuse by the people they bring in to teach the course."

Satok also took the opportunity to repeat Congress' contention that parochial schools should be publicly funded as an option for parents who wish their children to receive a religious education.

Such an approach is equitable in Ontario, which considers itself a "pluralistic and multicultural" province, since Catholic schools receive full government financial support for their programs.

"We feel it is morally unacceptable not to offer" such an option to other parochial schools, Satok said. • **see also page 30**

World-National

Islamic groups gain ground on West Bank

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

Journalist Joel Bainerman made aliyah from Canada a few years ago, and now serves as a correspondent for Canadian Press in Israel. Last summer he contributed an article to Middle East Focus, an information-laden magazine which is edited by Eva Dessen. Bainerman's interesting piece is entitled *Israel's New "Palestinian Problem."*

Rabbi Plaut

The latest development, which the author calls the new problem, is Islamic fundamentalism, which has many Israelis greatly concerned. While elections for Palestinian representatives to the peace process constitute the current agenda on the international front, local elections have already taken place in the West Bank and Gaza — and they exhibit a worrisome trend.

In the past, the pro-PLO Communist parties used to fight it out with the Labor Alignment. No longer: The battle now is between Islamic representatives and the Communists, with the latter steadily losing ground. After the last municipal elections Israel's Interior Minister Arye Deri said wistfully: "One day we're going to miss the Communist party."

In Umm el-Fahm, the second largest city in the territories, the Islamic parties took 12 out of 15 city council seats; in Kfar Kassem seven out of 11; and in Nazareth they made a good showing with six out of 19.

These successes may be broadly explained by two factors: one, the sweep of fundamentalism in all Arab lands (and for that matter, in Islamic communities everywhere); and two, because in addition to their religious advocacy the Islamic parties are seriously concerned with bettering the lot of the local population. In this regard their social concerns distinguish them markedly from PLO-oriented movements which emphasize political over social issues. Said one of the Islamic representatives, elected in Rahat: "We only want for our brothers to return to their religion. The Labor party, the Communists and Arab Knesset members have not improved our socio-economic situation. We will provide new education and health-care services, and build new mosques, not with government funds, but with the volunteerism of the people and the spirit of Islam."

Funding problem

This development causes Ehud Olmert, Israel's Minister of Arab Affairs, to say that the real problem is one of funds. Indeed, the cabinet voted him a $24 million increase in development aid for the Arab sector, bringing his department's current budget to $43 million. But, says he, this is still five to six times short of what it ought to be. He further points to the growth of the Arab population which is no longer, as it once was, a linguistic, cultural, religious and ethnic minority. "Nationalist claims are now converging with the desires of the Moslem fundamentalists to establish an independent state, Islamic or otherwise. Together the two phenomena create a very dangerous situation for Israel."

But money will hardly strike at the root of the issue. It will hardly explain the rise of Hammas, a new umbrella organization of Islamic fundamentalists which seriously competes with the PLO. According to Bainerman, Hammas differs from the PLO in that the latter seeks to establish a secular Palestinian state, while Hammas aims at one which would be ruled by Islamic law. "Another major difference between the two rival camps is their power structures. The PLO is based on a political bureaucracy, which demands total subordination. The Islamic movement has its authority concentrated around the Mosque, which demands submission to Islam, or God, not to any political frameworks."

The Islamic groups have gained more allegiance in Gaza than on the West Bank, but their radicalism is spreading everywhere, even though publicly they have kept a low profile. Bainerman concludes: "Israeli leaders may one day yearn not only for the old Arab communist party, but for negotiations with the PLO as well."

Wallenberg's fate a mystery as family meets with Soviets

NEW YORK (JTA) — News reports that Soviet authorities met with the family of Raoul Wallenberg were greeted with reserved gratitude, as questions over the exact fate of the former Swedish ambassador still remain an issue.

Wallenberg's family received from the Soviets the personal effects of the Second World War hero in an emotional ceremony in Moscow.

But despite repeated Soviet insistence that Wallenberg died of a heart attack in Lubianka Prison in 1947, his family remains unconvinced and believes he may still be alive today.

In Washington, Rep. Tom Lantos (D-Calif.) and his wife, Annette, who were born in Hungary and who have spearheaded a campaign to find out his fate, welcomed the ceremony. But they were not swayed by the Soviet declaration that Wallenberg died in prison.

"The Soviets have not told the whole truth," Annette Lantos said. "The story is not closed, the mystery is not solved."

Nina Lagergen, Raoul Wallenberg's half-sister, with a 1940 portrait of Wallenberg.

Credited with saving Hungarian Jews

Congressman Lantos said, "The Soviet government must do a much more credible check of the facts. Repeating a lie that has already been discredited does not answer the question 'Where is Wallenberg?' Glasnost calls for the Soviets to do considerably more to resolve the mystery of Wallenberg."

Annette Lantos is founder and co-chairperson of the International Free Wallenberg Committee.

In New York, the Raoul Wallenberg Committee of the United States said it would not issue a statement until the Wallenberg family made one of their own.

The family of the former Swedish diplomat to Budapest, who is credited with having saved tens of thousands of Hungarian Jews, was presented with his passport, several notebooks and even some money. But the artifacts "do not prove that Raoul is dead," said Nina Lagergren, Wallenberg's half-sister.

The Soviets said they found the papers during a recent search of KGB archives.

"It was just terribly emotional to see Raoul's handwriting and his passport, his portrait, his identity papers in Budapest," said Lagergren.

She was accompanied by Wallenberg's half-brother, Guy von Dardel, as well as Per Anger, Wallenberg's diplomatic associate during the war, and Sonia Sonnenfeld, the secretary of the Swedish Raoul Wallenberg Association.

It is the first time in the nearly 45 years since Wallenberg vanished that the Soviets have produced tangible evidence of the man. His family believes there may be more documentation.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Gennady Gerasimov repeated what he has said before — that there was no evidence to refute the declarations that Wallenberg had died.

"It is an irrefutable fact that Raoul Wallenberg died in 1947," Gerasimov said.

Lagergren presented Soviet officials with a list of 20 persons who said they had seen Wallenberg since 1947.

Numerous alleged sightings of a "tall Swede" in prison camps have been made, especially in the last 15 years, but the Soviets have always dismissed the charges.

Jackie O. and Barbara Bush provide models for women

By
ELLEN GOODMAN

BOSTON — The woman is in a state of high gush. Never mind that she has interviewed prime ministers and grilled presidential candidates, that she eats her subjects with a side dish of cynicism. This is the ultimate news bulletin:

"I just saw Jackie," she breathes into my phone, "She looks fabulous!"

I do not ask, Jackie Who? I know. Everybody knows. Everybody has seen her, if not in person, close up enough. She's been on the cover of Life and Vanity Fair. She's on both covers of *A Woman Named Jackie*, the best-seller that everybody loves to hate and refuses to admit they have read. Every gossipy, intrusive, unreliable word.

Jackie has turned 60. Sixty. This is not the sort of event that colleges hold symposia about. There is nothing of national meaning or international significance for this life marker.

North Americans gaped at her photo the way they gape at the person who comes back to their college reunion looking, dammit, exactly the same. Fabulous.

Jackie, 60 and skinny, celebrating her 15th birthday as a 45-year-old, looks like the young girlfriend on the arm of her 59-year-old companion. Jackie, 60 and surviving, her 15 minutes of fame have extended to 30 years of speculative, bitchy biography.

She has gone from being Jacqueline Bouvier to Jackie Kennedy to Jackie Onassis to Jackie O. The last name of the most famous woman in America sounds like a simple exclamation of admiration, a vowel of awe. Jackie, Oh.

Jackie came into the public eye in a pillbox hat and never left. She became famous as a wife and widow. She became infamous as a wife and widow. She became famous again and permanently famous. By now her life is more familiar than many members of our family. How many of us know about our father's infidelity? How many know our own sister's shoe size? We know Jackie's size: 10.

Jackie O has rarely made a move in public that wasn't photographed, rarely had an employee who couldn't be paid for her private memoirs, or had a friend who could talk about her without feeling as if she were name-dropping. She has led the most private of public lives, the most public of private lives.

So what do we say about this 60-year-old survivor? One brief admiring word about her success at mothering. A pro-forma acknowledgement of her success as a working grandmother and a dutiful daughter. And then to the big stuff: Gawd, she looks fabulous!

The photos in Life are f-stops along every year from 1929 to 1989. The last 20 of them look the same. The only thing that has changed are the hemlines and the language. At 40 she was glamorous, at 60 she is "still" glamorous.

This is what 60 looks like?

How many women search these pictures for clues of the cost of maintenance, the way they search along her hairline for evidence of a scalpel. How many single-potato-and-caviar dinners account for the dress size? How many lunches passed up, how many yoga sessions have replaced desserts? How much time spent jogging and how much at the hair dresser?

The most energy, money, and time-consuming activity is the struggle against aging. There isn't a woman in the world who doesn't know that. Vanity is an expensive vice and beauty an expensive virtue. There is hardly a woman of any age who hasn't wrestled with that cost-accounting. Ours and hers.

How many million women wake up saying this is the first day of the rest of their diet? How many resent the glorification of youth and yet blame themselves for aging as if it were a personal lack of willpower? How many have felt the ambivalence? Faulting ourselves for caring about looks. And for not caring enough. Wondering when we get permission to stop caring, stop fighting.

When the new First Lady came into view this January, there was much ado about her gray hair, her laugh-lines, her dress size and lifestyle. At 64, she looks her age. We want her to wear it comfortably. When the old First Lady comes into view, just four years younger, there is much ado about her skin, dress size, glamor. We want to know how she does it.

The truth is that most women want to want to look like Barbara Bush. But they truly want to look like Jackie. We want to stop fighting against age — pass the chocolates and the footrest — and we want to still look young. We want to be admired for our character, lines and all, and thought of as glamorous. We want to let go and stay the same.

Jackie's birthday carried another sort of message across the cover stories. This is what 60 can look like. This is what we're supposed to look like at 60? Oh, Jackie, oh. She looks, dammit, fabulous.

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Eastern bloc countries express support

Soviet Union has abstained in UN anti-Israel vote

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) —

For the first time since 1982, the Soviet Union has not joined with the Arab countries in their annual move to oust Israel from the United Nations.

The Soviets chose to abstain last week from voting on whether the Arab move to revoke Israel's UN credentials should be considered by the General Assembly. The two Soviet republics that hold separate votes, Byelorussia and the Ukraine, followed suit.

The rest of the Eastern bloc countries also either abstained or, in the cases of Hungary, Romania and Yugoslavia, voted in support of Israel.

How they vote is important to Israel, which is eager to restore relations with Eastern bloc nations that cut ties to the Jewish state in 1967. Romania never severed relations, and Hungary restored them last month.

Overall, the General Assembly decisively rejected the Arab attempt in last week's credentials vote, with 95 countries voting in favor of a resolution tabling the Arab move, 37 voting against the measure, 15 abstentions and 12 countries absent.

Canada voted in support of Israel.

The vote was marginally better for Israel than last year, when the vote was 95 in favour, 41 against, with seven abstentions and 15 absences.

The attempt to revoke Israel's credentials has been an annual event since 1982, and the whole vote count is considered an important indication of the amount of anti-Israel sentiment in the United Nations.

Since 1982, a group of Arab countries has moved to amend the report of the General Assembly's credentials committee, calling for Israel's removal. One of the Scandinavian countries — this year it was Denmark — then formally moves that no action be taken on the amendment.

This year, Libya's representative, Ali Treiki, spoke for the 32 Arab countries that sponsored the amendment, asking that Israel be ousted because of, among other charges, its alleged "flagrant and persistent violation of the Charter of the United Nations."

Denmark's representative, Kjeld Mortensen, said that revoking Israel's credentials went against the United Nations' "primary purpose" of promoting peace and security worldwide.

In UN circles, voting with the Scandinavian countries is considered as much a show of support for the principle of universality within the United Nations as a reflection of sentiment toward Israel.

For this reason, a number of countries that otherwise vote repeatedly to condemn Israeli practices choose not to try to invalidate the Jewish state's credentials.

Ambassador Johanan Bein, Israel's acting permanent representative to the United Nations, said he considers the credentials vote more important than other votes on Israeli practices.

Bein said the Soviet Union's abstention was "definitely a move in the right direction." However, he added that he would have preferred it to "take the whole step and do the right thing" — in other words, vote in favor of the Danish resolution.

The Soviets also abstained in 1982, but have voted every year since with the Arabs.

Bein also said Tuesday's vote reflects some progress in the Arab world and Africa. He pointed out that Turkey, which abstained last year, voted in favor of the Danish move, as did Nigeria, which was absent last year.

The Nigerian vote is significant, he said, both because Nigeria has "a clear Moslem majority" and because the nation's representative, Ambassador Joseph Garba, is serving as the General Assembly president this year.

Egypt also voted in favor of the Danish move, as it did last year. In a nod to the Arab countries, however, Egypt's representative, Ambassador Abdul Halim Badawi, spoke after the vote and condemned Israeli practices in the administered territories.

First meeting of its kind

B'nai Brith meets with Jordan's King Hussein

CALGARY —

A senior B'nai Brith Canada delegation met with King Hussein of Jordan in Calgary, on Oct. 16. The meeting was the first between a Canadian Jewish delegation and the Jordanian monarch, and was part of the private agenda of King Hussein during his visit to Canada.

The hour-long meeting was off the record and confidential, and dealt with the peace process in the Middle East.

The B'nai Brith Canada delegation included Moishe Smith, president; Frank Dimant, executive vice-president; Brian Morris, national chairman, Institute for International Affairs; and Paul Marcus, national director, Institute for International Affairs.

Dimant described the meeting as "cordial and friendly."

The following day, a B'nai Brith Canada delegation met with Egypt's ambassador to Canada, Mohammad Adel el-Safty. Dimant said that the meeting, which lasted 1½ hours, was "the beginning of a series of meetings" with the ambassador.

There are no plans at this time for meetings with other Arab ambassadors, Dimant said.

Canada to provide aid to Jordan

OTTAWA —

Following his meeting with King Hussein of Jordan, Prime Minister Brian Mulroney announced new economic and development assistance to Jordan worth more than $17.5 million over the next two years.

The major element of this package is the extension of Canada's assistance program to Jordan in the oil and gas sector, which will amount up to $15 million over the next two years.

In operation since 1986, the cooperation between Petro-Canada International Assistance Corporation and the Jordanian Natural Resources Authority would otherwise have ended in March, 1990. The agreement takes the form of assistance from PCIAC, using Canadian goods and services in the evaluation and promotion of Jordan's hydrocarbon potential.

The prime minister also announced other assistance for Jordan to be provided via the Canadian International Development Agency. This includes support for Jordan's economic adjustment program in the form of food aid valued at $2 million, support for a Jordanian government management training project, and agreement to several industrial cooperation projects.

In making these announcements, Mulroney noted the decisions reflect Canada's support for Jordan as the latter confronts its economic challenges. He added that Canada also strongly supports Hussein's constructive role in the search for peace, and his commitment to a comprehensive negotiated solution.

Hussein statement on Mideast ignores key facts, CIC states

OTTAWA —

The Canada-Israel Committee said it is disappointed in King Hussein's address to Parliament because he did not use the opportunity to make any statement to advance the Middle East peace process.

"King Hussein's explicit decision not to provide any historical context to the conflict serves as a convenient way for him to divorce Jordan from any responsibility for the current situation," the CIC said in a press release.

"King Hussein chose to ignore the fact that Israeli occupation of the West Bank was the direct result of his decision to launch an assault on Israel during the 1967 Six Day War. Moreover, the situation of the Palestinians today is largely a function of the collective unwillingness on the part of the Arab world, including Jordan, to recognize the right of Israel to exist in the region."

The CIC notes that Hussein did not offer any "constructive and meaningful steps" that he could take to contribute to the peace process, but did not hesitate to tell Israel what it should do.

"King Hussein's support for a just peace rings hollow in the absence of his willingness to extend recognition to Israel."

The CIC said Hussein's reference to Israel's nuclear capability was "misleading" and "further belies his 'moderate and reasonable' position.

"In view of the alarming military build-up currently underway in the Arab world, and in particular, given the undeniable fact that various Arab states not only possess but have employed chemical weapons in the past, it is clear that any threat to regional stability comes not from Israel but rather from any one of many Arab countries."

U.S. subway gets pro-Arab posters

WASHINGTON (JTA) —

The American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee has revived its poster campaign in the Washington-area subway system.

The Jewish Community Council of Greater Washington, the local Jewish umbrella group, is not fighting the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's decision to display two types of ADC posters in half of the system's 700 subway cars.

In a mailing last week, the JCC noted local court decisions upholding the general right of groups to place political advertisements in the system.

One of the posters shows three Arabs carrying the red, green and black Palestinian flag, with an American eagle in the background. It reads: "Americans fought for freedom and independence in 1776, Palestinians are fighting for these same rights today."

The other poster has large Palestinian and Israeli flags, which state in block letters, "Palestine-Israel: Two Peoples, Two States."

Both posters ask viewers to "support Palestinian independence" and to call their congressional representative.

The JCC termed the posters "Arab propaganda attacks" and urged board members to write letters in support of Israel to members of Congress and to President Bush; to write letters to newspapers and other media; and to gain support for Israel among family, friends and community groups.

To display the posters for a month, the ADC paid $10,000 to the transit authority. The subway system, which connects Washington with suburban Maryland and Virginia, carries about 250,000 people daily.

Abdeen Jabara, ADC president, said his group prefers to place advertisements in the subway system, rather than in newspapers, because viewers will see subway posters more than once.

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World-National

Remain sensitive to Arab boycott pressures

Japanese remain cautious over trade with Israel

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — Was it just coincidence that PLO chief Yasser Arafat happened to warn the Japanese about expanding trade ties with Israel, only several days after a senior representative of Israel's Industry and Trade Ministry completed a two-week visit to Japan.

"It's funny," muses Max Livnat, the ministry's deputy director-general. "I'm only a civil servant. But still, when does Arafat ever talk about trade?"

What may be causing Arafat some anxiety — if, in fact, he was aware of the visit — was that Livnat's was the first official invitation ever extended to a representative of the Industry and Trade Ministry. And following his two-week trip, Livnat is convinced that bilateral trade between Israel and Japan will increase substantially within the next two to three years.

The initiative taken by the Japanese, says Livnat, reflects their growing openness to furthering trade ties with Israel. But this process, he warns, will be very gradual, as the Japanese are very cautious. "Still, a dynamic has developed."

"The Japanese have a very high regard for Israel technology," says Livnat. "They are looking for opportunities to buy Israeli high-tech products that are unavailable in Japan and to form joint ventures with Israeli high-tech companies."

But, he acknowledges, the Japanese remain highly sensitive to Arab boycott pressures — a sensitivity Arafat was quick to exploit. Cautiously addressing this issue, Livnat says: "I have the impression that they still take Arab boycott pressures into account in their decision-making. But at the same time, they want to develop ties with us."

While Israel may not be a top priority on Japan's trade list, because of the latter's huge export surpluses with both the United States and Western Europe, Livnat believes Japan is seeking to diversify into other markets.

Moreover, he reflects, the Japanese may want to use Israel as a production base because of its unique status in having free trade agreements with both the United States and the European Common Market. This may explain why in recent months, for the first time ever, Japanese investors have bought out several companies here, such as Electronic Systems Ltd. in Herzliya and H.C. Algae in Eilat.

Following his visit, Livnat says he will try to reciprocate and encourage Japanese trade officials and industrialists to visit Israel. "We would like to reinforce the relationship that has developed."

One of the most encouraging signs of trade developments between the two countries, in Livnat's view, is that Israeli exports to Japan last year (excluding diamonds, which account for the bulk) totalled $150 million, representing a sharp 50 per cent increase from the previous year.

Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, cuts the ribbon for Yoshiko Ohtaka, right, member of Japanese parliament, as the PLO strongman officially opened its liaison office in Tokyo on Oct.2. Arafat was in the country on a four-day visit as a government guest. [RNS photo]

Arens discusses impact of 1992 European market

BRUSSELS (JTA) — Israel is considering how to adapt to the changes that wil occur when the Brussels-based European Economic Communmity becomes a fully integrated European single market, little more than three years from now.

Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Arens summoned his country's envoys to the 12 EEC member states for a brain-storming session that began here Monday night.

He is attending along with Deputy Foreign Minister Binyamin Netanyahu; Reuven Merhav, director general of the Foreign Ministry; and other senior officials.

The three-day meeting is devoted to measures Israel might take in advance of the 1992 deadline when the EEC countries remove all internal trade barriers.

The European Economic Community is Israel's most important trading partner, apart from the United States. Its complete economic consolidation is being depicted by some as the creation of a "fortress Europe" that could exclude other nations.

Israel is anxious to strengthen both its economic and political ties with the community, which already acts as a single diplomatic entity with dealing with regional problems, such as the Middle East conflict.

For instance, the EEC Executive Commission announced Friday that the community will extend some $5 million in direct aid to the Palestinian population of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The funds, which are intended to improve the Palestinian population's economic and social conditions, will subsidize medical services, agriculture, the creation of data banks and industrial development.

The foreign ministers of the countries serving as current immediate past and next rotating chair of the community constitute a diplomatic "troika" empowered to deal with Middle East problems.

Currently, that means the foreign ministers of France, Spain and Ireland. According to informed sources here, they will visit Israel, Egypt and possibly other Middle East countries next month and meet with Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat.

Some experts in Israel have complained that the government has been too slow to respond to the imminent changes in the European Economic Community.

But preparations are already under way. Merhav visited Brussels last August to plan the construction of a second Israeli Embassy here next year.

It will house a diplomatic staff that will deal exclusively with the European Community and its legislative body, the European Parliament, which is based in Strasbourg, France.

The new mission will be headed by Ambassador Avi Primor, Israel's present ambassador to Belgium, who has also been de facto envoy to the EEC.

Primor will be replaced as envoy to Belgium by Colette Avital, currently Israel's ambassador to Portugal, according to well-informed sources.

During his visit here, Arens is conferring with Belgian Foreign Minister Mark Eyskens on the latest Middle East developments and efforts to revive the peace process. He is also expected to meet with the European commission in charge of Mediterranean affairs, Abdel Matutes of Spain.

Arens' agenda includes a visit Wednesday to neighboring Luxembourg, a member of the EEC, and a meeting on Thursday with the Belgian Jewish community, still reeling from the shock of the Oct. 3 murder of its leader, Dr. Joseph Wybran.

Arens is scheduled to return to Israel on Thursday, accompanied by more than 100 Belgian personalities invited to Israel in a cultural exchange.

Yemen opens its doors for visits to its Jews

NEW YORK (JTA) — For the first time in nearly four decades, American Jews of Yemenite descent were able to visit the country of their ancestry, the Yemen Arab Republic.

Travelling last month under the auspices of the host government, they distributed religious articles including prayer books and bibles, prayer shawls and phylacteries to the tiny Jewish community — estimated at no more than 1,500 — in the YAR.

During their two-week visit, they met with hundreds of Yemenite Jews in Raydah, in the central part of the country, and Saada in the north.

"We are grateful to the government of the Yemen Arab Republic," said Dr. Hayim Tawil, an associate professor of Hebrew languages and literature at Yeshiva University, who headed the group.

Tawil said the group looks forward to continued cooperation with the YAR.

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Parties anxious to keep process alive

U.S. peace mediation continues behind the scenes

JERUSALEM (JTA) — U.S.-Israeli peace diplomacy appears to be proceeding on two levels: one highly visible to the news media, the other behind the scenes via telephone.

At the visible end of the spectrum, stalemate prevails. But operating behind the scenes over the weekend was a flurry of telephone conversations between the principals that indicates both sides are very anxious to keep the process alive.

Visibly, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir appeared unmoved by reports from Washington that Secretary of State James Baker may wash his hands of Middle East peace-making efforts unless some progress occurs soon.

Israel will not conduct its policy "with a stopwatch" was the tart response such reports elicited from circles close to Shamir.

But the prime minister's aides firmly denied a report that Shamir would consider postponing his visit to the United States next month because it might become the focus of American demands for Israeli concessions.

Shamir, they said, was planning to go ahead as scheduled. In fact, he expects that his Nov. 15 meeting with President Bush at the White House will settle whatever differences the trans-Atlantic phone calls fail to bridge.

Yet the Bush administration publicly seems to be calling on Israel's coalition government to end its political infighting so that the peace process can advance.

"If the parties do not have the will to overcome their political constraints, we cannot produce progress by ourselves," State Department spokesman Margaret Tutwiler said last Friday in Washington.

Although Tutwiler has made such statements before, the reference to "political constraints" was new.

She denied that it was aimed specifically at Israel.

But the comment was made against the background of sharp divisions between Likud and Labor on how to proceed with Shamir's initiative, and in the aftermath of Shamir's scathing criticism of U.S. mediation efforts last week.

In an address to the Likud Knesset faction, Shamir stated flatly that he would risk a confrontation with the United States sooner than negotiate with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

He forecast a period of tension with Washington.

The United States, he said, is trying to get Israel out of the West Bank and Gaza Strip and into negotiations with the PLO.

It is hard to predict whether the Americans will break down, as they have in the past, in which case Israel's relations with the United States would remain as they are, Shamir said.

But if the Americans refuse to back off, relations would change for the worse. "We wish to avoid a confrontation but we will not give in — not even for the United States," Shamir asserted.

The Shamir remarks have come to be seen as an attempt to reasssure his

Yitzhak Shamir

hard-line Likud colleagues.

Tutwiler said Baker telephoned Shamir last Thursday, after receiving a letter from the prime minister that, in Tutwiler's words, "applauds our efforts and encourages us to keep them up." (Shamir had spoken to the Likud MKs two days earlier.)

Baker also spoke Friday by telephone with the Israeli and Egyptian foreign ministers, Moshe Arens and Esmat Abdel Meguid.

Tutwiler would give no details of those conversations Friday, though she implied they were part of Baker's efforts to meet Israeli and Egyptian concerns over his "five points" aimed at holding an Israeli-Palestinian dialogue in Cairo.

Although Baker's "five points" deliberately have not been disclosed in Washington, the Israeli news media seem comfortably familiar with them.

Shamir objects vehemently to at least two of the points. According to reports here, he wants omitted consultations between Egypt and the Palestinians over the composition of the Palestinian delegation for talks with Israel, on grounds that this implies an indirect role for the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Shamir also is said to want Baker to specify that the only admissible item on the agenda of the proposed Israeli-Palestinian talks will be the modalities of the Palestinian elections he proposes in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Baker, for his part, reportedly has declined to make either of these amendments to his five-point paper. But he is willing to assuage Israel's concerns on these points by means of an accompanying letter to the Jerusalem government, reports here say.

The Americans have insisted repeatedly they are not trying to bring the PLO into the process through the back door.

But Tutwiler said at the State Department briefing Friday that an Israeli newspaper report that the United States has given Israel a guarantee that it will not be asked to negotiate with the PLO was "not accurate."

"We have not asked, nor are we asking, the Israelis to negotiate with the PLO," Tutwiler said. But she denied that any new assurances were given the Israelis.

James Baker

Shamir, meanwhile, blocked attempts by some ministers to raise diplomatic issues at the weekly cabinet meeting Sunday.

Those matters are dealt with by a forum of the four ranking coalition ministers — Shamir and Arens for Likud and Vice Premier Shimon Peres and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin of the Labor Party.

Formal decisions are made by the 12-member inner cabinet, consisting of six Likud and six Labor ministers.

Meanwhile, the fate of the Likud-Labor coalition is believed to hinge on the ultimate outcome of the diplomatic activity.

So far, Labor has been amenable to American and Egyptian proposals, while the Likud bloc is adamantly opposed. Unless there is a change, pundits say Labor will break with Likud after Shamir's American trip next month.

A movement is also afoot in the ultra-Orthodox Agudat Yisrael party to drop out of the coalition. Some insiders here believe the Agudah is ripe to join a narrow government headed by Labor.

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Peres' Moscow visit set for December

JERUSALEM (JPFS/JTA) — A team of Soviet officials is expected to come to Jerusalem next month to prepare for Israeli Vice-Premier Shimon Peres' trip to Moscow, which is now scheduled to take place in the first week of December.

Peres' policy adviser, Nimrod Novik, returned to Israel Sunday following a week of talks in Moscow. During his stay, Novik met with Soviet Deputy Prime Minister Yuri Znamensky; Anatoly Dobrinin, former Soviet ambassador to the United States and currently foreign policy adviser to Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev; Valentin Falin, head of the Communist Party's International Division; and several members of the Supreme Soviet.

Novik reported to Peres that the Soviets made it clear they expect a "high-profile" visit. Novik will maintain contacts with the Soviets in an attempt to arrange a meeting between Peres and Gorbachev.

Meanwhile, it was announced in Tel Aviv that Peres will be hospitalized several days longer for continued treatment of a urinary tract infection.

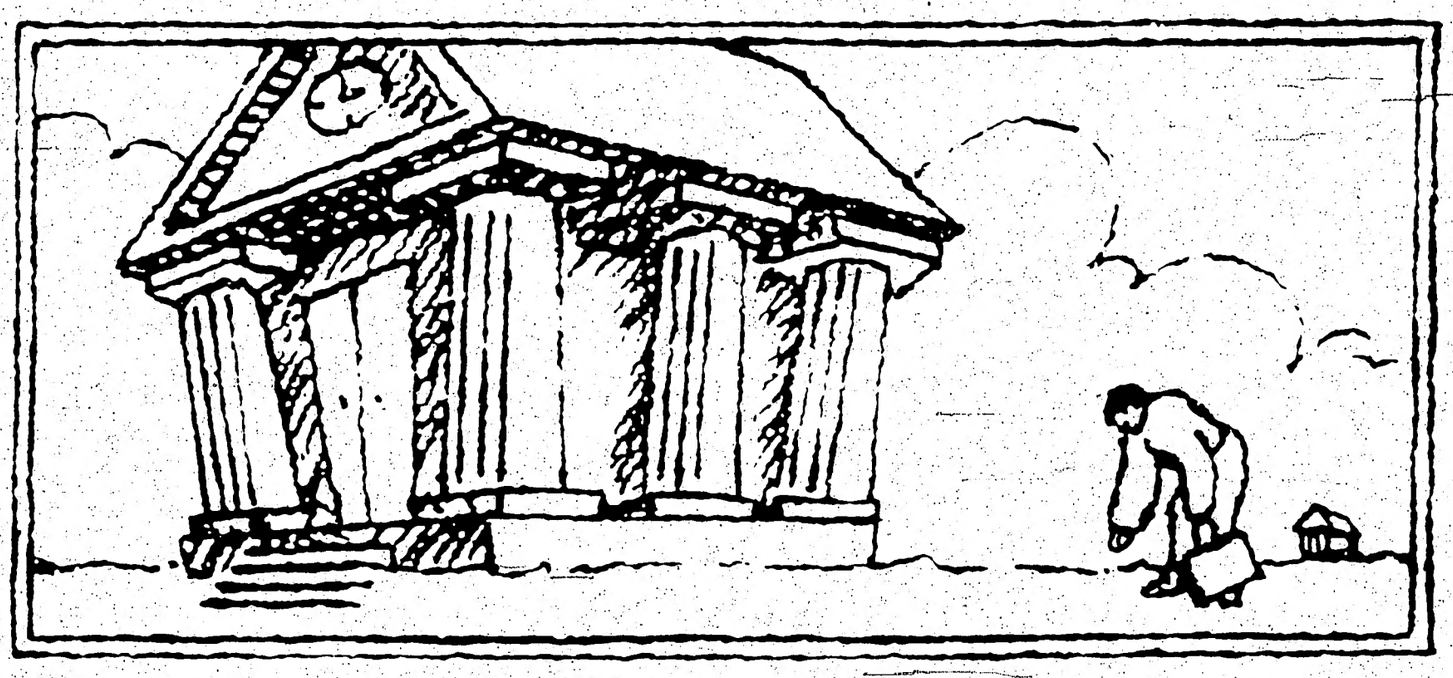
The 66-year-old Labor Party leader, who serves as finance minister, was to have been discharged over the weekend from the Emek Hospital in Afula, where he was admitted on Oct. 17.

But he experienced breathing difficulties Friday and spent several hours in the respiratory intensive-care unit.

Dr. Udi Cantor, the hospital's deputy medical director, announced Saturday that Peres would stay in the hospital until mid-week.

Peres, who underwent prostate surgery a year ago, was visiting Druse villages in northern Israel when he complained of nausea and dizziness.

He was taken to the Emek Hospital, where his condition was diagnosed as an acute infection of the urinary tract. Doctors said it was in no way linked to his earlier surgery.



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Withdraw invitations for visits

African states shun Waldheim

NEW YORK (JTA) — President Kurt Waldheim of Austria has been forced to call off his planned state visits to Senegal and the Ivory Coast this month.

Both West African countries diplomatically withdrew their invitations when presented with documentary evidence of Waldheim's Nazi past by the World Jewish Congress.

He was to have arrived in Senegal for a three-day visit Oct. 16, to be followed by a five-day visit to the Ivory Coast.

But the Senegal trip was cancelled after a telephone talk with President Abdou Diouf, Waldheim's office in Vienna said.

President Felix Houphouet-Boigny of the Ivory Coast reportedly informed Waldheim last Friday that his visit would be inopportune because a government reshuffle was imminent.

According to the WJC, which exposed Waldheim's Nazi activities when he ran for president of Austria in 1986, its representatives in various capitals presented the ambassadors of the two African nations with documentation of Waldheim's wartime activities.

They reminded the envoys that Waldheim has been shunned by most national leaders.

Probably the most telling document was the decision in April 1987 by the U.S. Justice Department to bar Waldheim from entering the United States, because he was implicated in the deportation of civilians to death camps and the execution of hostages, the WJC said.

Since taking office, Waldheim has been rebuffed repeatedly in his efforts to be received by other heads of state.

He has been invited by no Western or Eastern bloc country. His junkets abroad have been confined to several Moslem countries and to the Vatican, where, as a Catholic, he was received by Pope John Paul II.

In Britain, a Defence Ministry inquiry absolving Waldheim of responsibility for the mistreatment or execution of British prisoners of war did nothing to raise the estimation of Waldheim in the eyes of many members of Parliament and other officials.

Greville Janner, a Labor member of Parliament and secretary of the All Party War Crimes Group, said "He is not criminally liable but he is certainly morally responsible and should never have been secretary-general of the United Nations or president of a decent country."

According to Conservative Robert Rhodes James, Waldheim was innocent of war crimes but guilty of deceiving the Austrian people and the world over his war record.

"He lied every time he was asked about his involvement in the war. He is a most contemptible man," Rhodes James said.

Jordan's King Hussein, left, is greeted by Austrian President Kurt Waldheim in 1988 on a four-day state visit to Vienna.

Alleged Nazi war criminal is arrested in Los Angeles

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Bruno Karl Blach, an alleged Nazi war criminal living in Los Angeles, was arrested by the Justice Department last week following an extradition request issued by West Germany in late June.

The 69-year-old Blach has been accused by a West German district court of "having killed three persons in Austria en route from Wiener Neudorf to Mauthausen between April 2 and April 14, 1945, in a cruel manner and acting from base motives." Wiener Neudorf and Mauthausen were concentration camps.

The accusation was contained in a June 28 West German warrant for Blach's arrest. The district court in Duisburg said that "prosecution for murder is not subject to a statute of limitations" under West German law.

At Blach's arraignment, the U.S. District Court for Los Angeles ordered him to be held without bail, according to a Justice Department source. The actual extradition hearing will be held Dec. 5 in Los Angeles.

The Blach case marks the fourth time since the Second World War that the United States will conduct extradition proceedings against an alleged Nazi war criminal. It marks West Germany's second extradition request to the United States. Bonn has one pending extradition request for an alleged Nazi war criminal, Josef Schwammberger in Argentina.

Since 1985, the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations had been trying to deport Blach, who was born to an ethnic German family in Czechoslovakia in 1919 and who emigrated to the United States from Vienna in 1956.

In 1987, a U.S. immigration court found that Blach had served as a guard in the Nazi SS, and as a dog handler at the Dachau concentration camp from 1940 to 1943, and at Wiener Neudorf, Austria, from 1943 to 1945.

That court also found that in April 1945, during a forced evacuation of prisoners from Wiener Neudorf to Mauthausen, Blach shot to death an unarmed, elderly and partially disabled Polish Jewish prisoner.

Appeals deportation

Blach's appeal of the deportation order is still pending, but an extradition order "will take precedence over that," said the Justice Department source.

The U.S. court ordered Blach deported to West Germany, the country of which he is a naturalized citizen. OSI would rather see him extradited than deported, since he would likely be able to choose which country he would be deported to, "and might not end up in Germany," the source added.

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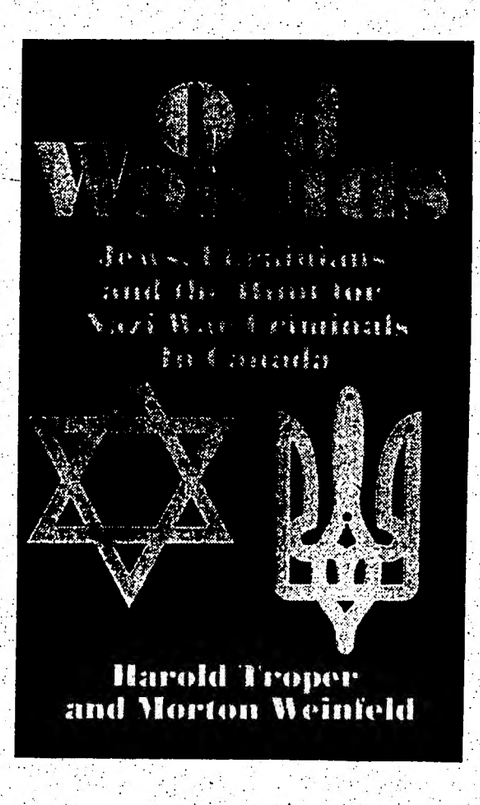

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DIARY ...of a People

By DAVID BIRKAN

Fanny Brice was born Fannie Boruch in New York City on Oct. 29, 1891. The pioneer comedienne-singer influenced the development of the musical stage, radio and films that underscored her talents for nearly 40 years.

Brice learned her craft as a child, picking up the dialects and accents of Brooklyn and the Lower East Side, and singing for her father's fellow pinochle players. At 13, she won a local amateur-night contest, which netted her $10 in prize money and $3 pitched on stage by the audience. She soon went into show business full-time. Inauspicious progress, which included her being fired from a George M. Cohan revue because she did not know how to dance, suddenly dissolved into her first triumph several years later: at lyricist Irving Berlin's suggestion, she presented a song in the musical The College Girl with a Yiddish accent. Her largely Jewish audiences, not accustomed to such an unabashed display of Jewishness outside the Yiddish theatre, were electrified. So was producer Florenz Ziegfeld.

Brice ethnicized and added new dimension to his 1910 Follies and its successors. Her Yiddishism, plainness, put-on gawkiness, and comic self-awareness provided a startling complement to the revues' formula staging, slick sets, and long-legged dancing beauties. As recounted in the late '60s movie *Funny Girl*, starring Barbra Streisand, Brice became a hit. She was soon performing in a dizzying number of revues and musical comedies.

My Man, the English version of a French torch song, and I Should Worry, Rose of Washington Square, and Second-Hand Rose became trademark songs showcasing the range of her expressiveness, from moody and lovestruck to rambunctious and self-deprecating. In her satiric concert warbling, broad humor, clowning, and parodies, "Brice was never cruel," writes Darryl Lyman in *Great Jews in Music* (1986).

My Man (1928) was the first of six movies she made. Her defamation suit against 20th Century-Fox for making unauthorized use of her life story in its 1939 film *The Rose of Washington Square* was regarded as a landmark precendent against the invasion of privacy. Brice found radio congenial to her talents, guesting on many shows and starring in The Baby Snooks Show until her death at age 59 of a stroke.

INPARSHAL WORDS: ohr/aur

(In answer to inquiries, inparshal is a homegrown adjective meaning "in the parsha.")

In parshat Bereishit, which this week launches the beginning of the annual cycle of Torah readings, God says: "Y'hee ohr." Let there be light. *Ohr* (or *aur*), Hebrew for light, suggests aureola, auric, aurora, oriole, orient, orphrey, and orpiment, and maybe ore and origin.

Aureola is the precise term for the halo depicted by Christian artists since medieval times around saintly figures. Perhaps the earliest expressed aureola is in Jewish tradition, the beams of light radiated by Moses after he received the Torah. The Concise Oxford Dictionary takes aureola to the Latin *aurum*, meaning gold.

Auric is the adjective meaning golden, also from aurum.

Oriole, the brightly colored bird's name, comes via Old French *oriol* from the Latin *aursus*, golden.

Orpiment is the working name of arsenic trisulphide, an artists' pigment and yellow dye. The name comes from the Latin *auripigmentum*, gold dye.

Orphrey, the bright rich ornamental stripes and borders of ecclesiastical garments, also comes from aurum.

With all the above words, the Concise Oxford Dictionary — which often invokes hypothesized Indo-European roots for many old Germanic, Latin, and Greek words — does not suggest beyond Latin any root for the bright cherished metal.

Orient comes from the Latin *oriens*, sunrise. East is the direction from which the light of day rises. Again, the COD does not venture beyond Latin.

Aurora, the electromagnetic lights of the northern sky, owes its name to the Roman goddess of dawn, according to the COD. Aurora's striking similarity to orient in sound and sense is not noted.

The COD traces ore through a maze of Germanic and asterisked (hypothesized) Indo-European roots before concluding that it is of unknown origin. Since historically gold was processed much earlier than iron, could ore have been a pile or mound or rock in which something special was found shining?

One more leap, or rather, step: could ohr be the origin of origin? According to the COD, origin comes from the Latin *Oriri*, to rise. Like oriens and aurora, it suggests the rising of the light.

Few clues in fatal shooting

Belgian Jew's murder still a mystery

BRUSSELS (JTA) —

The murder of Dr. Joseph Wybran remains as much a mystery as it was when the 49-year-old leader of Belgium's 30,000-member Jewish community was fatally shot on Oct. 3.

Belgian police promptly tagged the killing terrorist-motivated. But clues are few and claims of responsibility by Palestinian extremist groups in Beirut have been all but discounted.

The Belgian state security service is in close contact with Israel's Mossad and with the French and Italian intelligence agencies, which have "antennas" in Beirut.

But the results are negative so far.

The Belgian weekly Le Vif-l'Express said European intelligence circles believe the slain Jewish leader was not an important enough target for commandos from Lebanon to have stalked him.

A Moslem extremist group calling itself the Soldiers of Righteousness took credit for the murder. The group is linked to the Palestinian arch-terrorist Abu Nidal.

But according to Le Vif-l'Express, the method of Wybran's murder was unlike the work of professional killers trained by dissident factions of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

Wybran was mortally wounded by a single bullet fired into his head at close quarters in the parking lot of Erasmus Hospital, where he headed the hematology and immunology departments.

The killer appeared to have been waiting for him when he left work at the hospital in the evening.

The news weekly pointed out that PLO-type assassins would have fired several times to make sure their victim was dead.

Furthermore, it said, a professional would not have chosen the busy parking lot at 6:30 p.m., when people were constantly arriving to visit the sick.

It is believed that a professional killer would have waited outside Wybran's door in an empty courtyard, Le Vif-l'Express wrote.

However, the killing was not improvised.

The bullet extracted from Wybran's skull showed signs that the 7.65-caliber pistol from which it was fired had been cocked and uncocked several times before the fatal shot was fired.

That would indicate that the killer waited a long time for his victim to appear, the news magazine said.

Emmy Wybran at the funeral of her husband. With her are Wybran's stepson (her son), his mother and leading Belgian rabbis.

Arafat not invited, says West Germany

BONN (JTA) —

The West German Foreign Ministry has issued a swift denial of reports that it was considering an invitation to Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasser Arafat to visit West Germany.

But Bassam Abu Sharif, one of Arafat's top advisers, insisted at a news conference that the matter was discussed.

Sharif was received last week by Jurgen Sudhoff, political director of the Foreign Ministry.

It was the highest level of official contact with the West German government yet achieved by the PLO, and drew an expected sharp protest from Israel.

Sudhoff reiterated after the meeting that Bonn stood by its position that the Arab-Israeli conflict should be resolved through an international peace conference with the participation of the PLO.

Sudhoff, who once was press attache at the West German Embassy in Tel Aviv, is considered a friend of Israel.

PLO officials here said they "understood" Bonn's need to deny reports of a possible invitation to Arafat.

Nonetheless, one official said, "It is a fact. You just cannot undo what has been done."

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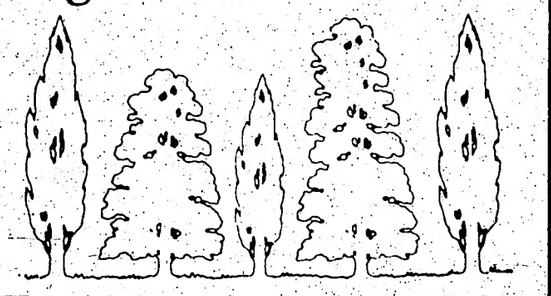

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Fitting tribute

The legacy of Anne Frank, a testament to the folly of hatred and intolerance communicated so poignantly in her diary, will be highlighted at a special month-long exhibit on Nov. 1 at Ontario Place.

The exhibit, a combined effort of the Toronto Holocaust Remembrance Committee and Jewish Women's Federation of Toronto Jewish Congress, and Unisys Canada includes more than 800 photographs, documents and manuscripts dealing with Anne and her family from the Anne Frank Centre in Amsterdam.

The exhibit, which includes a replica of Anne's attic room, tries to reconstruct the atmosphere experienced by Anne, her parents, sister and friends when they repaired in 1942 to rooms in the back of her father's office at his business premises on Prinsengracht Street in Amsterdam. The Franks decided to go into hiding when it became clear that the Nazi deportations of Jews was beginning.

The Franks and their friends were kept alive by friendly gentiles but an act of betrayal resulted in their discovery by the Germans. Anne was sent with her sister Margot to Bergen-Belsen. Eye witnesses in Holland have described how Anne became ill and perished in March of 1945.

The publication of her diary in 1947 made Anne Frank the symbol of the persecuted Jewish child trying to come to terms with a world that had turned against her people. Her clear writing style, minute observations and psychological analyses show a maturity far beyond the age she was when she composed her journal.

During the exhibit at Ontario Place a guided tour including a video presentation will be available. Discussions and educational programs involving Cornelius Suijk, the director of the Anne Frank Foundation, will take place as well.

It is singularly appropriate that Toronto Mayor Art Eggleton will be declaring Nov. 2 as Anne Frank Day and that veterans' groups will be holding a Remembrance Day parade at the site of the exhibit.

It is to be hoped that the exhibit, while premiering in Toronto, will attract the support necessary to enable it to be seen in other Canadian centres as well.

In an age when racial strife is on the rise, Anne Frank's message about its destructive nature is most timely.

Resisting pressure

The Canadian Council of Churches and its 16 member churches representing the major Canadian denominations has produced a position paper calling for a Palestinian state and criticizing alleged human rights violations by Israel.

In its declaration the CCC also supported "the rights of the Jewish people to a recognized homeland with safe and secure borders" — without taking into account legitimate Israeli fears that their right to a secure homeland might be jeopardized by the creation of a Palestinian state which would become the spring board for an assault on Israel.

These fears are based on the reality of a 40-year struggle by Israel against the Arab world. As A. M. Rosenthal of the New York Times has pointed out, every Arab nation except Egypt is officially at war with Israel, "and arms as if it is ready to go to battle tomorrow." These states, he says, would not even be bound by any agreement with the Palestinians.

What Libyan leader Moammar Khadafy has said publicly about the need to eradicate the State of Israel is echoed daily by voices in the ruling circles of Damascus, Baghdad and Teheran. While the proclamations of Israel's demise resonate regularly from the Arab world, the PLO keeps in step with the retention of its never repudiated, odious covenant — which declares Israel null and void.

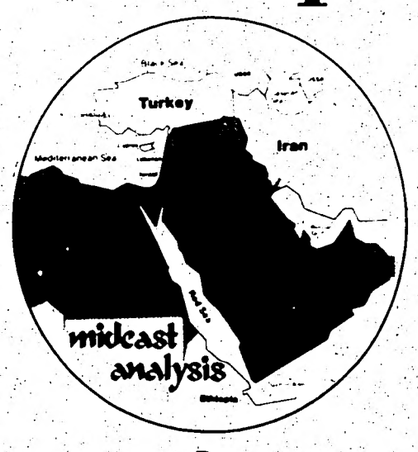
Israel is aware of this, as is the Arab world. There will be no solution to the ongoing crisis in the Middle East until all the Arab states join Egypt in calling off their four-decade-long war with Israel. The Palestinians could do a great deal for their own cause if, instead of demonstrating violently in the territories, they channelled their energies into persuading the Arab countries in which many reside to cease their war against Israel.

There is little evidence, however, that the Arabs or the Palestinians are interested in a peaceful resolution of the conflict. At the United Nations, Arab delegates performed their ritual walkout when Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Arens spoke there recently and they all (save Egypt) rejected an invitation tendered them by the Israeli delegation for discussions. Predictably the Arabs will again spearhead a move to have Israel ousted from this world body during the General Assembly sessions this fall.

A. M. Rosenthal is undoubtedly right when he suggests that the slogan "land for peace" is quite inadequate in addressing the Arab-Israeli imbroglio. "There must be another, sent loud to all Arab states: Peace for peace."

Mubarak plan in jeopardy

Peace process on hold again



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

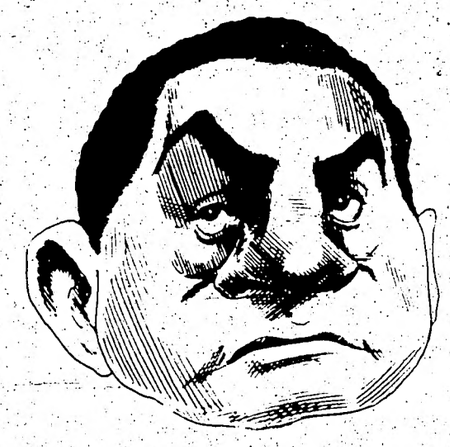
The on-again, off-again peace process has been put on hold once more, thereby perpetuating the debilitating and dangerous status quo in the Arab-Israeli dispute.

With Israel's rejection of Hosni Mubarak's 10-point peace plan, designed to blend Israeli proposals for elections in the territories with Palestinian demands for independence, the key players must in effect begin anew.

Although Mubarak's plan has, for all intents and purposes, expired, the Egyptian president, if only for face-saving reasons, seems convinced that it hasn't run its course. "The subject is still under discussion between us and the United States," he said last week, referring to an American proposal by Secretary of State James Baker under which the U.S., Israel and Egypt would select members of a Palestinian delegation to engage in direct negotiations with representatives of the Jewish state.

But Baker's five-point plan has been rejected by Israel and the PLO — threatening Mubarak's proposals with total extinction.

The Egyptian plan, whose omissions were as important as its actual contents, was doomed to failure because the Likud — the Labor Party's less flexible partner in Israel's national unity government — opposed it from the start.



Hosni Mubarak

Mubarak had called for, among other things, an Israeli withdrawal from the territories, a halt to new settlements there and participation of East Jerusalem Arabs in any election. The heart of his initiative lay in his offer to host face-to-face Israeli-Palestinian talks.

Significantly, however, Mubarak did not advocate the inclusion of the PLO in such talks (although everyone took it as a given that the PLO would play a crucial behind-the scenes role), nor did he call for an independent Palestinian state to be established on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip. Furthermore, Mubarak was purposely vague about the dimensions of Israel's future withdrawal from West Bank, Gaza Strip and Golan Heights.

Israel's election proposals, which were formally approved by the cabinet last May and reendorsed after a Likud revolt in July, called for a five-year period of Palestinian limited self-rule and negotiations to settle the final status of the territories. For the first time, Israel was prepared to negotiate with a purely Palestinian delegation.

It appeared as if the two-headed Israeli government was united in its approach to talks with the Palestinians. But in reality, the reverse was true.

Led by Vice-Premier and Finance Minister Shimon Peres, the Labor Party held that land should be traded for peace, that the building of new settlements should be stopped, and that the Arab residents of East Jerusalem should be eligible to cast ballots in elections. The Likud, under Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, was against these concessions, and ministers to the right of Shamir were even more outspoken in their denounciations.

Despite these very real differences, Labor and Likud were able to agree on a formula amorphous enough for the peace process to lurch ahead. U.S. President George Bush had made it clear to Israel that the ball was in its court, following the PLO's historic decision in 1988 to recognize Israel's existence and accept United Nations Resolutions 242 and 338 — the cornerstones of Mideast diplomacy since the Six Day War.

Israel's election proposals did not sit well with the PLO, which claims to represent most Palestinians on the West Bank and Gaza Strip. The PLO announced it would not take part in Israeli-sponsored elections unless Israel accepted the principle of withdrawal and gave Arabs in East Jerusalem (annexed by Israel after the Six Day War) the vote.

Yitzhak Shamir

Realizing that Israel's plan was sinking into oblivion, Egypt offered its services as an honest broker. In mid-June, Boutros Ghali, the Egyptian minister of state for foreign affairs, flew to Jerusalem to present Mubarak's ideas. Shamir and Foreign Minister Moshe Arens rejected them. Ghali, encouraged by Labor's positive response and an Arab summit in Casablanca a month earlier endorsing Resolutions 242 and 338, said: "We will continue to try to move the diplomatic process forward."

Shimon Peres

Egypt's motives were pretty clear: Egypt wants to broaden the peace process so that it isn't the only Arab nation to be at formal peace with Israel. Although Egypt has broken out of its isolation since 1979, the year the treaty was signed, Egypt's status as a regional power would be enhanced if other Arab nations emulated its example. And as a peacemaker, Egypt is better positioned to receive billions of dollars worth of U.S. military and economic assistance.

The Egyptians originally presented their 10 points to a group of U.S. congressmen in Cairo on July 31. Subsequently, a revised edition was formally handed to the Israeli government by the Egyptian ambassador in Tel Aviv, Mohammed Bassiouny.

Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who formulated Israel's election proposals in conjunction with Shamir, reacted cooly at first. But by September, with the intifada still raging on, he relented. As he put it: "I cannot deny that (Israel's) peace initiative and efforts to bring a political solution... has lost momentum... I see this (the 10 points) as an important step, a big step, toward a chance to advance the peace process."

Peres, who is considered more dovish than Rabin, was just as emphatic. After describing the 10 points as perhaps "the most important single opportunity" in a long time, he urged his rivals in Likud not to "sing empty songs" about land and territory.

But Shamir remained adamant, saying that the 10 points were tantamount to "surrender," and adding that "there is no element in the Arab world willing to give us peace."

Despite his opposition to the 10 points, Shamir and his Likud colleagues permitted Rabin to explore them in greater depth with Mubarak in Cairo. Shamir didn't want to alienate Rabin, his de facto ally, and thereby risk bringing down the government.

As expected by the majority of observers, Rabin's talks with Mubarak produced no major agreements. Shortly afterward, Egypt released the names of 12 Palestinians who would theoretically negotiate on behalf of the Palestinians. All were considered close and sympathetic to the PLO. Topping the list was Hanna Siniora, an East Jerusalem newspaper editor and former pharmacist.

The day after it was published, the Israeli inner cabinet, split evenly along Labor-Likud lines, voted 6-6 on the 10 points. Since a tie is equivalent to a rejection, the Egyptian proposals were consigned to the dustbin of history.

George Bush

Amid all this jockeying, the PLO played an ambivalent role.

On Sept. 20, Mubarak, having held his third round of talks with Yasser Arafat in recent months, announced that the PLO chairman favored the 10 points. Arafat had previously been critical of Egypt's plan because it did not mention Palestinian statehood.

One day later, Arafat hedged his bets — withholding direct *public* endorsement but saying he was ready for discussions with Israel under international auspices.

The PLO spokesman, Bassam Abu Sharif, further clouded the issue by voicing his readiness to discuss the 10 points with Israeli leaders in Jerusalem.

It's highly unlikely, given the fractured nature of Israel's government and the deep divisions within the PLO, that meaningful Israeli-Palestinian talks can proceed on the basis of Egypt's proposals. Another way will have to be found to break the impasse blocking the path to peace. But what? These are questions for the U.S., Israel, Egypt and the PLO to ponder.

Yet as long as Likud equates territorial compromise with treason and defeat, and the PLO refuses to accept anything less than full independence and surrogates to represent it in negotiations with Israel, peace will remain nothing but a chimera.

Opinion

Hiller got started in Edmonton Yiddish theatre

Gerry Morris in caricature by Al Hirschfeld.

By
GERRY MORRIS

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. —

One day, back when he was a law student in British Columbia, Arthur Hiller quit. Recounting the story of what he called "the biggest decision in my life," Hiller revealed the qualities that would later make him the great director of such films as *Love Story* and *The Americanization of Emily*.

"I didn't enjoy law," Arthur told me, "but my wife wanted me to stay in law school. She was supporting me. She was a librarian. So I told her, 'No, I'm going to University of Toronto to get my Master's in psychology. I hope you want to come with me, my dear' And I said to my parents, 'I'm sorry, I'm going and if you never speak to me again, I'm still going.' And I went."

Of course, everything worked out. Hiller is still married to his childhood sweetheart, Gwen Pachet, some 40 years later, and is a self-confessed happy family man, with two grown children. "You know I proposed to my wife when I was eight," he said, "and she turned me down." He tried again on Valentine's Day, 1948, and this time hit the jackpot.

Hiller lives in the typical Spanish-style Beverly Hills home. Well, not quite. Along with the requisite swimming pool and manicured lawn, his backyard has huge totem poles and pine trees. "They remind me and my wife of the Canada of our youth," he said.

In the spacious living room of his home, the 65-year-old director recently spoke to me about the life of a Canadian-born boy turned Hollywood director. What's so refreshing about him is his willingness to talk about his failures as well as his successes. He doesn't consider himself a Hollywood genius who can do no wrong. Here's a famous director, with top credentials, recently elected president of the 9,000-member Directors Guild of America, who admits he's as insecure as the next man. ("If I said all creative people are insecure I'd be doing a disservice to very few people.")

Over the years, he's developed a reputation as one of the few directors to specialize in comedic films. Who can forget Bette Midler and Shelly Long in *Outrageous Fortune*; or Neil Simon's *The Out-Of-Towners* and *Plaza Suite*; or the wacky films *Silver Streak* and his latest, *See No Evil, Hear No Evil*, re-teaming Gene Wilder and Richard Pryor? Many people remember his hilarious comedy *The In-Laws* with Alan Arkin and Peter Falk. Back in 1972, Hiller directed George C. Scott in the classic black comedy, *The Hospital*, written by the late Paddy Chayevsky.

"Paddy was the only true genius I ever worked with," recalled Arthur. "People would tell me, 'He's so irritable.' Hey, when a genius speaks, I listen." Arthur smiled and added: "Except one time. Paddy and I had a fight on the set of *The Hospital* over a few lines. He locked himself up in a dressing room for a few hours, then came out and said to me, 'You were right.' "

Hiller believes directors often get too much credit for the success of films. "Writers are the unsung heroes," he said. "I drop to my knees before the good writers because they create, they sit in a room by themselves and they come up with something the rest of us build from."

Though he's known as "an actor's director," which puts him in good company, he admitted that the hardest part of directing is "the human relations aspect. "I seem to get on with actors, but they're complicated people in difficult situations," he said, starting to laugh now. "Sometimes you don't meet the actors until the morning that you're filming. And there you are, saying, 'Hello, now you two get in bed,' — and this is supposed to be a great love scene!

"You have to read actors in a hurry," he continued. "Sometimes all that's needed is a pat on the back to acknowledge their sense of creativity. Other times, you have to try to bring out something they didn't realize they had."

He then recalled the time Maximillian Schell had doubts about his ability to do the role of the Eichmann-like character in *The Man In The Glass Booth*. "It meant going to the studio on weekends," he said, "just Max and me, alone on a sound stage, rehearsing, working on the problems until he felt comfortable."

The one film that catapulted Hiller's career and made him wealthy was *Love Story*, starring Ali MacGraw and Ryan O'Neal. The first blockbuster hit of the '70s, this saga of preppie love, Hiller explained, was also the saga of his own personal luck.

Arthur Hiller grew up in Edmonton where his interest in theatre first blossomed under the influence of his parents, who had liberal political leanings. They ran a Yiddish theatre for the Jewish community during the Depression. There was no pay. "It was just for the fun and love of drama," said Arthur. "I helped build and paint sets, and when I was 11, I was acting. My father's big ambition for me was to see my name on the flyleaf of a book. And he was more than happy to settle for seeing my credits on the screen."

After college, Hiller served a 3½ year stint in the Second World War as a RCAF flying officer in Europe, followed by marriage — and, yes, he finally earned that degree in psychology from the University of Toronto. By then, he recalled, "It finally dawned on me, 'Why am I not doing what I want to do?' So I walked into the headquarters of CBC radio and asked, 'Who do I see about a job as a director?' "

The receptionist gave him the name of the manager of the network and three weeks later, selected over 64 other applicants, he was working in broadcasting. "I often tell students this story," Hiller said, "because it shows you need luck. You've got to have talent, but luck, too. What if that receptionist had sent me to personnel instead of the head guy?"

In time Arthur shifted to the fast-growing television field where his imaginative work caught the attention of big-league American TV producers for NBC who lured him to Hollywood. Once there, he directed episodes of the network's *Matinee Theatre*. He also directed numerous episodes of such acclaimed T.V. series' as *Playhouse 90, Alfred Hitchcock Presents, Naked City, Gunsmoke*, and *Ben Casey*. In 1957, he directed his first film, *The Careless Years*, with Dean Stockwell.

Among his 23 films, Hiller admitted, he has an especially soft spot for *The Americanization Of Emily* (1964, starring Julie Andrews and James Garner), a movie that according to him had so much to say "about people and society and the anti-glorification of war.

"It is the only film of mine that I can look at and just sit back and feel the whole movie again, because I somehow managed to do what I intended to do," he said with obvious pride. "What you see on the screen was Paddy Chayevsky's first draft. I think we changed only six lines."

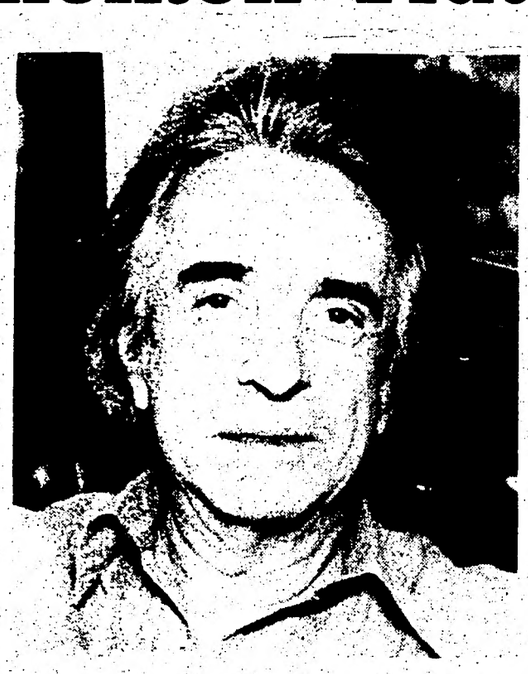
Failures? He sighed, then cited the 1972 film *Man Of La Mancha*, which starred Sophia Loren and Peter O'Toole. "I thought I had made a good movie," he said. "Its failure threw me into a deep depression that lasted eight months. I felt here was a musical play that was loved around the world, and a cast that I thought was terrific. So I could only blame myself."

A film maker who has no great illusions about himself, Hiller said: "If I look at my own films I can think of half a dozen directors who could have made them," he said. "There are very few directors whose work is so extraordinary, whose touch is so individualistic that they alone could have made a particular film. I could have made 'Star Wars.' It would have a beginning, a middle and an end, but you wouldn't want to see it. I don't have the feel of space that George Lucas put into that film. It was sheer genius. Bob Fosse was another. No one else could have made *All That Jazz* — and by the same token, he couldn't have made *The Americanization Of Emily*."

How about the films he turned down? "Shall we start with the pictures that won Academy Awards?" he asked, starting off with *In The Heat Of The Night*. "Why would you turn down that?" I asked. "I was just nervous and made a bad decision," he said. "And then there's *The Verdict*, with Paul Newman. It was a miscalculation problem with Fox Studios. I just can't believe this one, just unbelievable, because it was the perfect film for me.

"I gave you two, but there are four or five more," Hiller continued. "The hardest thing for me is to make a decision on a film — on what to do and what not to do. You know I never got used to the fact that I am an important director. I keep asking myself do I derserve this?"

He may have felt at times he never deserved his success, but not so his peers. Recently, he was honored at a tribute at the World Film Festival in Montreal.



Arthur Hiller is another giant in the entertainment world interviewed by Gerry Morris, New York theatre critic for The Canadian Jewish News.

Like his parents before him in Edmonton, Arthur is deeply involved in the Jewish community. In L.A., he works with the Anti-Defamation League, B'nai B'rith and the Commission on Soviet Jewry. "I've tried for years to find a screenplay that would speak up for the Refuseniks," he told me.

Several years ago, he and Red Buttons, along with the rabbi and 1,000 other members of The Synagogue For The Performing Arts in Beverly Hills, poured 500 bottles of French wine down the sewer outside the French Tourist Office to protest France's release of a Palestinian terrorist. He directed several fundraisers to benefit Chabad, an Orthodox Jewish group: a stage reading starring Edward Asner and Leonard Nimoy, and a short video for their drug rehabilitation centre. Another rousing fund raising success was a musical stage adaptation of Ted Allan's *Lies My Father Told Me* for the Jewish Television Network, which starred Jack Klugman, Martin Landau and Georgia Brown.

He's given work to many Canadian actors, including Lorne Greene, Lloyd Bochner, Leslie Nielsen, and Toronto's own Lou Jacobi, who appeared in Hiller's 1966 film *Penelope*. Canadian actor Cec Linder tells this amusing Hiller story: "In the late '60s I was in L.A. to make my mark as an actor. I called Hiller's office and left my name and number. Within five minutes my phone rang, and this excited voice booms 'HAL LINDEN! HOW ARE YOU?' 'No,' I corrected him. 'It's Cec Linder.' 'Who?' was what I got from Hiller. Anyway he remembered who I was from CBC days and apologized for getting our names twisted. And being the 'mensch' he is offered me a job in *Silver Streak*. I was so sorry I couldn't do it because of a previous commitment. My mazel!"

What does it take to be a movie director? "Actually good physical shape," Hiller said. "People laugh but it's true. When you're filming it's literally around the clock. You're making decisions, just like that, one right after the other, and 600 people are asking you questions. And often you're on location and you're climbing mountains. (Walls you're climbing all the time.)"

Hiller believes that a director can get away with failure when young, but can't afford too many mistakes after age 55. "Frank Capra made his last film at 56," he said, "and I always felt he and King Vidor should have kept working." He then pointed to Charles Creighton, age 78, (*A Fish Called Wanda*) and the late John Huston, as exceptions. "Huston, although over 80, was still doing a very 'today' film. Some directors when they hit that point are really doing yesterday's films. It just seems like a few weeks ago I was being referred to as a new breed of director. Now I'm being referred to as 'the veteran director,' and it really shakes you up."

Admitting he's lost none of his youthful enthusiasm for making films, Hiller concluded: "I have a problem in that there are fewer good comedy directors than other kinds, so if you do comedy well, you find yourself deluged with comedies. It's not easy to get back into the more serious stuff. I want to do material that's an affirmation of the human spirit. I want to do entertaining films with something significant to say." And anyone who's enjoyed Hiller's work, from *The Hospital* to *The In-Laws*, has to tell him he's been doing that all along.

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Community voice needed on multicultural television

By
ELAINE KAHN

I don't watch much TV — lack of time more than any inherent bias against the medium. It's been 10 years since I've known who or what is current — the baby on Family Ties was in school before I watched my first rerun.

Friends say I'm not missing anything — that the message of the medium is garbage. Newspapers crow that TV promotes all the wrong values. The kvetches are as old as television itself. Given the many fund raising drives on public television, however, one hesitates before assuming we really do want to watch TV that is good for us.

A little over a year ago, a unique network, VISION-TV, was launched in Canada. Its expressed aim was to offer multifaith television — values TV. Most of the programming on this non-profit network is sponsored by various religious groups.

All I knew about VISION when it began was that the official Jewish community had decided against participating. I heard it feared VISION would be merely another outlet for evangelicals. I suspect our community also felt it would be wasting money, because only the kind of people who watch evangelicals, whatever that means, would watch.

I still don't know who does watch VISION, but a lot of people, mainly Jews, have told my husband and me they saw the various spots we've done (separately) for it this year.

Twice I have done commentaries critical of something happening in Israel: the disgusting treatment of the Women at the Wall. I don't regret bringing to public attention, on a network which deals with religion and values, the attacks on a group of women attempting to pray at the Kotel — goody goody TV is not good TV, and programming, by any group, that is uniformly self-praising (like evangelical preaching) is nothing more than propaganda to me.

But I am by now really upset that, because the community is not involved with VISION, my critical comments cannot be heard within the context of wider programming on Jewish religion and values. Representing, I hasten to add, views across the spectrum of our community. And not, I scurry to say, programs about Jews as an ethnic group — those can stay on multicultural TV, where they belong.

If someone in the community, organized or not, were willing to foot he bill, I'd be more than willing to host a weekly half-hour show explaining why we're still around after 5750 years, given our lousy odds — assuming I got time and a half combat pay or arranging equal time for all our factions.

We're not still around because of chicken soup, because of persecution, or because of Israel in the flesh (although Israel the dream has a lot to do with it). Some of us still like to think we've survived because of a set of common values and a belief that we are mandated to teach those values to the rest of humankind. Including to Jews who have forgotten that being Jewish has daily meaning.

Given that the Talmud discusses everything under the sun, there's a lot — "topical", "relevant" — to teach. When we are not seen on a network that has representation from all the other major religious communities in Canada, we leave a vacuum that is filled only by those (on VISION and elsewhere) on the Holocaust, Israel and anti-Semitism, continuing to leave the impression that that is all Jews have to offer. Aside, I hear, from Jackie Mason.

For a change, why don't we explain on television why we are here, instead of why people should allow us to be?

Opinion

Facing the Holocaust

Cohen rides crest of Israeli cinematic wave

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Eli Cohen and Eitan Evan are riding the crest of what they believe is a new cinematic wave in Israel.

After 41 years of Israeli statehood, filmmakers there have begun to grapple with a topic that foreign producers and directors have been treating for at least a decade — the Holocaust.

Cohen and Eitan, the principals of *The Summer of Aviya*, predict that Israeli filmmakers, having "discovered" the Holocaust, will now act on their artistic and entrepreneurial impulses.

The winner of the Silver Bear Award at the 1988 Berlin Film Festival, *The Summer of Aviya* was screened at Toronto's Festival of Festivals and at the Montreal World Film Festival. The main protagonists are Henya (Gila Almagor), an emotionally scarred 43-year-old Holocaust survivor, and her precocious 10-year-old daughter, Aviya (Kaipo Cohen), who yearns for her late father. It takes place in Israel, in 1951.

Eli Cohen, director of The Summer of Aviya.

Cohen, the director, claims that it's "the first (Israeli) film in about 10 years" to deal with the Holocaust. In point of fact, *The Summer of Aviya* deals with its aftershocks.

Evan, the producer, claims that the last Israeli film with a Holocaust theme was *The Wooden Horse*, which he produced.

It seems clear that *The Summer of Aviya* has set an example. Since hitting the theatres last year, a full-length documentary on the Holocaust, *Because of That War*, has been playing in Israel.

"There had been a reluctance to face the Holocaust," says Cohen, a Sabra whose Latvian-born father lost relatives in the Second World War. "There was a mental block. It took time for people to distance themselves from it."

"Israelis," adds Evan, "didn't want to think about horror situations. They had enough on their plates with the Arab-Israeli conflict."

According to Cohen, the prevailing dogma in Israel was that Jews went "to the slaughter like sheep," which is not entirely true, and which glibly ignores the unprecedented nature of the Nazi Holocaust. "That image of the 'cowering, submissive Jew' didn't jibe with the Sabra who fights for his rights. Yes, we know there were Jewish partisans fighting back, but this was the general impression in Israel."

Evan, whose parents immigrated to Palestine from Hungary in the 1930s, concurs with Cohen. "As kids, we couldn't grasp how Jews died without resisting. It was a source of shame."

Evan's grandmother, a survivor, never discussed the Holocaust and, therefore, "it was harder to understand."

And, they both agree, there was a sense of guilt among Sabras. "The Second World War, which was a disaster for European Jewry, was a time of prosperity for the Jews of Palestine," Cohen explains. "There was money to be made supplying the British army in Palestine."

Today, Israelis have a much better understanding of the Holocaust. "We don't think of the victims in negative terms anymore," says Cohen. "We're not saying they were cowards."

"It's the most traumatic experience of the Jewish people," Evan comments, "and (Israeli cinema) shouldn't minimize it."

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The Summer of Aviya grew out of Gila Almagor's 1986 best-selling autobiographical novel. "It's gone into six or seven editions and has been put on the school curriculum," Cohen says.

Like Cohen and Evan, Almagor is a native-born Israeli. Her European parents arrived in Palestine in the 1930s. In 1939, in Haifa, Almagor's father was killed by an Arab sniper.

One of Israel's brightest actresses, Almagor turned the novel into a one-woman play, and according to Cohen, "it was impossible to get tickets for weeks."

Almagor turned to Evan because she liked his previous film, *Every Time We Said Goodbye*, starring Tom Hanks as an American pilot in wartime Palestine who falls in love with a Sephardi Jewish woman.

Evan asked Cohen to do *The Summer of Aviya* because he was impressed with his last film, *Ricochets*, which explored the effects of Israeli soldiers under fire in Lebanon. (*Ricochets* got rave reviews in Israel and appeared at the 1986 Festival of Festivals, but has not been distributed since then. The matter is in litigation.)

Like the vast majority of Israeli films, *The Summer of Aviya* was made on a shoestring, in 31 days. "It wasn't easy," Cohen admits. "But we managed to get the best people — the creme de la creme."

One of his greatest problems was casting Aviya. "Finding the right girl was crucial to the film's success. We auditioned 2,000 girls — and their mothers! — before Kaipo came along."

"Kaipo was literally the last girl we saw," reveals Evan.

"We were looking for a tough, sensitive, unbeautiful girl," says Cohen. "And she fitted the bill. She had taken ballet lessons, but she had no acting experience whatsoever." Interestingly enough, her family's home in Tel Aviv was practically next door to Evan's office.

Kaipo was simply magnificent, and Cohen is the first to acknowledge that. "But we didn't want Kaipo to get fancy ideas into her head. We had to protect her from getting a swelled head. She'll do something creative in her life, though I don't know if it'll be in acting."

Apart from the search for Aviya, Cohen had to cope with an assortment of additional problems.

"Most of the actors we hired had night jobs, and sometimes, schedules had to be rejuggled. We looked and looked for the right location, places that would remind an audience of the 1950s, and finally we found it in Petah Tikvah, Gila Almagor's hometown. We had to cover the asphalt road with sand to make it look unpaved."

Cohen, too, had to defer to the religious sensibilities of Orthodox Jews in Petak Tikvah, who demanded that no filming take place during Passover.

Gila Almagor and Kaipo Cohen in The Summer of Aviya.

Israeli critics gave *The Summer of Aviya*, which was released in July of 1988, good reviews. Davar called it "heart warming," while La Isha described it as "wonderful." Cohen and Evan have taken it to festivals throughout Europe. In Moscow, it got a "tremendous reaction." As Cohen puts it, "Russian people, who suffered tremendously during the war, can identify with a woman like Henya."

Last month, *The Summer of Aviya* appeared at the Vancouver Film Festival, and now Cohen and Evan are negotiating to have it released in Canadian theatres. "We've already sold it to Poland, Hungary and Bulgaria," Cohen reports.

Despite the financial risks inherent in making films in Israel, *The Summer of Aviya* has begun to turn a profit, "though it's not a blockbuster," Evan says.

Cohen has a few projects in the pipeline, including a political thriller set on the Temple Mount and a picture about the life of Eliezer Ben-Yehuda, who compiled the first modern Hebrew dictionary.

Neither Cohen nor Evan intend to make a film on the Palestinian uprising in the territories.

"I'm not interested," says Evan. "It's too close, too actual, and Israelis are tired of it." Cohen, though "preoccupied" by the *intifada*, is just too busy to consider it at the moment.

Jewish scholars meet the Dalai Lama

By
IRVING GREENBERG

The Dalai Lama, winner of this year's Nobel Prize for Peace, took part in an unusual meeting recently in Washington. The 54-year-old spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhism, who has had many theological exchanges with Christians, had, until then, never met Jewish scholars. In this article, one of the participants, Rabbi Irving Greenberg, explains what transpired. Greenberg is president of the National Jewish Center for Learning and Leadership.

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When the invitation came to join a group of Jewish scholars in a dialogue with the Dalai Lama and Tibetan Buddhist monks, I asked only one question. Was this a missionary group seeking legitimacy (as the Unification Church and Jews for Jesus do) in order to gain access to go after more Jews? The answer was no.

Ever since 1959, when the Chinese invaded Tibet, I had felt an instinctive sympathy for the Tibetans. The invaders crushed Tibet's monastic orders and destroyed its temples. Over one million people were killed in the course of the conquest; the Dalai Lama and 150,000 others went into exile near Dharmasala, India. This is what the destruction of the Temple must have been like in Jewish history.

The Dalai Lama's career summoned up a strong Zionist association — Theodor Herzl's life must have been lived the same way. Without an army, without official standing or governmental recognition, Herzl had pursued heads of state seeking the right for his people to go back. All he asked was to give his people a chance to restore their own culture in their own homeland. How often had his requests been ignored by those who respect only entrenched power? How many times had the founder of my national liberation movement been dismissed?

To be honest, increased understanding between Tibetan Buddhism and Judaism was very low on the priorities. I am preoccupied by the escalating surliness between traditional and liberal Judaism and the appalling ignorance among Jews about each other's lives and teachings. Nor did I expect to learn that much religiously. But how could anyone with a Jewish memory ignore the Tibetans?

Like all true dialogue does, this encounter with the Dalai Lama opened us to the other faith's integrity. Equally valuable, the encounter reminded us of neglected aspects of ourselves, of elements in Judaism that are overlooked until they are reflected back to us in the mirror of the other. We need this instruction.

To be faithful to its role as an agent of universal redemption, Judaism must synthesize and unify East and West, not join one or the other tradition in parochial fashion.

As we reflected on Tibet's agony and struggle for survival, we grew to appreciate the wisdom of Jewish covenantal ethics. Judaism also dreams of a Messianic age when life and peace will triumph, when "they shall beat their swords into plowshares . . . . and shall not learn war anymore" (Isaiah 2:4). But the halacha insisted that until the Messiah comes, it is an ethical necessity to have an army. There are wars (self-defence) which are a mitzvah to fight, others which are permitted, and yet others which are wrong and forbidden.

We came to see that the Tibetans had taken a spiritually heroic step, but they had been guilty of premature Messianism. (In various centuries, Jews had made a similar error.) Now the task of humanity was to help and to retake Tibet for its people. But there was an important lesson for us. The Jewish tradition of juggling the dream of perfection with ethical realism and worldly responsibility was profoundly correct. This made us appreciate also the extraordinary wisdom and courage of those who in the last 200 years made the visionary move of transforming the Jewish religious dream of restoration into an activist, morally responsible liberation movement, Zionism.

The most moving aspect of the dialogue was the Dalai Lama's motive for setting it up in the first place. He identified with the Jewish experience. After 30 years in exile, despite the hopes for speedy restoration, he was facing up to the posssibility of an indefinitely extended galut (exile) experience. How could his people and he maintain a full spiritual life and avoid assimilation while separated from the land that nurtured them?

There was one people he had heard of which had pulled off this miracle, this triumph of the human spirit. Judaism had sustained a nation and its dream for 1,800 years and then given them the strength to go back and build again. He needed to understand the secret of that endurance; maybe Tibetans could absorb the method. He came to us, with love, to ask for some help. Maybe the Jews could light the way.

We tried to help. The most important answer could not be spoken lest it sound like a dismissal of his faith — it was the sustaining will and presence of God, the covenantal promise that never failed. He sensed that so he asked us: it was the experience of being the chosen people, wasn't it?

We tried to share all the other factors, too. Bringing the religion into the family so the home filled the void left by the Temple's destruction; expanding the religious leadership, bringing in a teaching class to raise the entire people's level of knowledge and understanding; developing a double vision so that Jews would be at home in other lands but never fully at home until the exile was overcome. We described how the prophets and Rabbis incorporated exile into the vision of the faith. Destruction is not rejection; exile is a call to follow God and mature in the faith — then restoration will follow.

As we struggled to explain and he to understand, I was moved by the lesson that the Dalai Lama was teaching us. Imagine if the spiritually seeking Jews who came to him had hidden their Jewishness out of ignorance and alienation. He and his people would have been denied the Jewish witness which they needed in order to live.

The deeper lesson was that whenever the Jewish people is faithful to its own religion, whenever it shares its experience fully with others, it is truly "a light unto the nations." In exile and weakness then, in Israel and with power now, that is our calling. In the words of the ancient promise to Abraham, the first Jew: "Through you all the families of the earth will be blessed." (Genesis 12, 3).

Opinion

Dedicated women make book fair possible

By
J. B. SALSBERG

As the best of our readership knows by now, I take second place to no one in singing praise to Jewish womenhood.

Though Jewish tradition has long ago heralded our women in song and in many practices, there are still vestiges of male superiority in our midst.

J. B. Salsberg

For instance: What could be more salutary than the singing of Aishes Chayil Mi Imtzu when the men return home from the Friday night services? Nevertheless, certain basic restrictions on our women's place in the community existed for a long time. In some areas of our social life they still persist.

Of late, however, Jewish women have soared into leadership in Jewish communal life to a degree not seen since earliest times, when our Deborahs were the acknowledged prophets and leaders of Jewry.

What, for instance, would the North American Zionist movement be without Hadassah-WIZO? Very little. What would the Labor Zionist movement be without Na'amat (formerly Pioneer Women)? Nothing.

Who launched our Toronto Mount Sinai hospital? A group of "old country" Jewish women, balebostes, achievers.

The same can be said of our magnificent Baycrest (Jewish Home for the Aged) complex. It is now a model institution for all of North America.

And who started and continues to be the driving power of the unexcelled annual Jewish Book Fair of Toronto? It was launched by the Jewish Community Council but again it is primarily, if not solely, run by a dedicated and extremely able group of Toronto Jewish women!

Those facts came to mind the other day when I sat at the meeting of the Book Fair committee where the final arrangements for this year's Jewish Book Fair were made.

There were 23 people at the meeting; I was the only male at that gathering!

I had little to contribute but I consider the annual Book Fair a major Jewish cultural event and want to be a part of it.

There they (I mean we) sat around the long table in the board room of Toronto's Jewish Community Centre, the Y, and heard the reports of the final arrangements for the Fair that will take place from Oct. 28 to Nov. 5 in the Leah Posluns Theatre.

From Helen Redner, the staff person directly in charge of this massive undertaking, to the rest of the women around the table, each reported on the final arrangements that each was responsible for.

I was proud of that dedicated group of women. The time and effort each had put into the fulfilment of her assigned tasks were amazing. I thought that our community was fortunate to have so dedicated a group of women to plan and conduct so important an annual cultural happening in our city!

Thousands of Jewish books, in English, Yiddish and Hebrew will be displayed and made available for purchase. Prominent Jewish authors from around the world will address the Fair. For the first time in the history of the Book Fair, a Yiddish writer from the Soviet Union, Hershel Polianker, will come especially to address the Book Fair (in Yiddish). Addresses will also be delivered by Canadian Jewish authors, whose most recent books will be displayed.

What an event! What a Jewish cultural celebration! What a proud occasion for the Toronto Jewish community!

However, there is also a negative aspect to the very successful annual book fairs in Toronto.

It pains me to note, year after year, the absence, or, at best, the inadequate participation of the religious sectors of our community in these cultural happenings.

Why don't authors like Reb Nachman Shemen participate in the Book Fairs? He has just published two new learned volumes, in Yiddish, *Batziung Tzu Mentch*, (Jewish Attitude Towards Man) which is based on talmudic, rabbinic and literary studies. Why not display them at the Book Fair? Why not an author's address at a special event at the Fair? Gevalt, why stay at a distance?

Yes, and why doesn't Lubavitch — whose spiritual leader reaches his worldwide followers mainly in Yiddish and whose authorship is also still mainly in Yiddish — display and explain the Rebbe's works to the thousands who attend the Book Fair?

Why?

Well, it is time to wind up.

Our annual Book Fairs are, in my opinion, tremendously important Jewish cultural happenings. They deserve to be attended by everyone of our community. And I mean men, women and children. (Start them young . . .)

In conclusion; Hurrah for our annual Jewish Book Fair! Hurrah for the glorious band of dedicated women who make it all possible!

Meet me at the Fair.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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FILM IS ANTI-ISRAEL PROPAGANDA

With regard to the documentary *Voices from Gaza*, screened by TVOntario on Oct. 4, 1989, I would like to make the following observations.

The film's producer and director have admitted freely that they produced a one-sided film sympathetic to the Palestinian cause and this is reflected in the dedication of the film to the people of Gaza. It is simply an anti-Israeli propaganda film, one of a series shown lately on North American television (e.g. *Days of Rage*).

The few historical "facts" that are given as background are at best misleading. For example: "The proposed Palestinian state was never established." Why? Gaza was controlled by the Egyptians between 1948 and 1967, yet nothing was done to alleviate the plight of the Palestinian refugees or grant them a state. No mention is made of Arab refusal to accept Israel's independence or of the Arab invasion into the newly born State of Israel in order to destroy it.

Voices from Gaza makes a particular point of emphasizing that children are a majority in Gaza and are highly politicized and articulate. I am surprised that the producers show children being educated to hate their Israeli neighbors with whom, one hopes, they will have to live in peace side by side. The Israelis are portrayed as mysterious animals with antennas, ominously lurking in the background, waiting to pounce for the kill.

I have yet to see a documentary on TVOntario that will show the struggle and achievements of Israelis in the 41 years since its independence. The children of Kiryat Shemona and the northern border villages and kibbutzim may be less politicized, but the story of their survival under Katyusha bombardments and terrorist raids is as powerful a drama as any.

However, for the time being, I have to conclude with regret that TVOntario has lent itself as a vehicle to Palestinian propaganda.

Oren David
Consul of Israel
Toronto

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AUTHOR LACKS COMPASSION

I was very much satisfied with your review of Friedman's book "From Beirut to Jerusalem" (editorial, Sept. 28).

It is not Israel's fault if Friedman's vision of Israel was rather borrowed from the book *Exodus* by Leon Uris than from reality.

Israel made mistakes as have other countries (i.e., the United States in Vietnam), but it is unpardonable to look at Israel with so little compassion and understanding, when she is in one of the worst crises of her existence.

Dr. Edith Berger
Toronto

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RESCUED BY DENMARK

There is a saying: When G-d is about to close a door, He opens two windows. This saying was indeed true on Oct. 1, 1943 — on Rosh Hashanah — 46 years ago, when, in all the darkness of Europe, a strong ray of light was directed into the centre of Denmark, where thousands of Danish citizens were risking their very lives to save the Jewish population of approximately 8,000 souls, and to spirit them to safety in Sweden.

This story is very well known and documented in the annals of heroic resistance to tyranny. As I reflect and look back to 1943, I remember, as a 10-year-old, the terror and tension that gripped us all, until we found safety in Sweden. May I add a very beautiful footnote?

When the war was over, in May 1945, we received calls from our neighbors in Denmark asking us: When are you returning home? When we arrived, my mother was greeted with flowers and smiles, our apartment was as we had left it, everything intact. Coffee, delicacies (Danish pastries), soda and fruit were on the table. The windows had been washed, the floors were shining, the beds were made, and the pantry stacked with provisions. Neighbors and friends kept coming in with "Velkommen Hjem" greetings and smiles.

Yes! That generation of Danes deserves all our praises and blessings for making that light shine so strong and that they were able to give it over to their children. Their warmth and also their support for the State of Israel warms our hearts. Thus, when one door closed, one window was opened in the beautiful land of Sweden and later in wonderful Copenhagen in 1945. *MAY THAT LIGHT SHINE ON!*

Michael Ruben
Montreal

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OBJECTS TO PEACE NOW AD

While I too would like to see peace now in Israel, I must nevertheless take exception to the ad for Canadian Friends of Peace Now (Oct. 5, 1989).

If the PLO truly had had a change of heart . . .

. . . why are Arab residents still being murdered by intifada activists, on suspicion of having cooperated with Israeli authorities?

. . . why are attacks on individual Israelis continuing, such as an axe-attack in the market in Dir el-Ballah and a knife-attack near the Western Wall (Jerusalem Post, Sept. 30, 1989)?

. . . why did Nabil Shaath, head of the PLO delegation to a conference in New York tell a Kuwaiti newspaper: "If we will gain independence on part of our land, we will not relinquish our dream of establishing a single democratic state over all the Palestinian land"? . . .

Let's be realistic: No other nation in the world — *especially* the Arab states and a Palestinian entity — would show as much restraint as Israel has throughout the intifada. No other nation would fight as hard for the rights of Palestinian inhabitants who threaten its existence as Israel does. No other nation would take as many risks in the quest for peace as Israel has — only to be rebuffed by the neighboring Arab nations, most countries of the world, and the Palestinians themselves.

Yet, the Peace Now activists still believe that it is Israel who is intransigent in not opening up a dialogue with the PLO.

Hillel the sage once wrote: "If I am not for myself, who will be for me?" Indeed, as a new year begins, we must stand together in support of Israel. We must ensure the safety, security, prosperity, and strength of our brothers in Israel. We cannot rely on the nations of the world, who show their true colors when casting their votes at the United Nations. Nor can we depend on frivolous statements by the PLO when their actions contradict them.

I believe peace will be achieved. But only when Palestinians are ready to abandon their hatred of the Jewish people and recognize Israel's right to exist — in word and in action.

Eli Bernstein
Toronto

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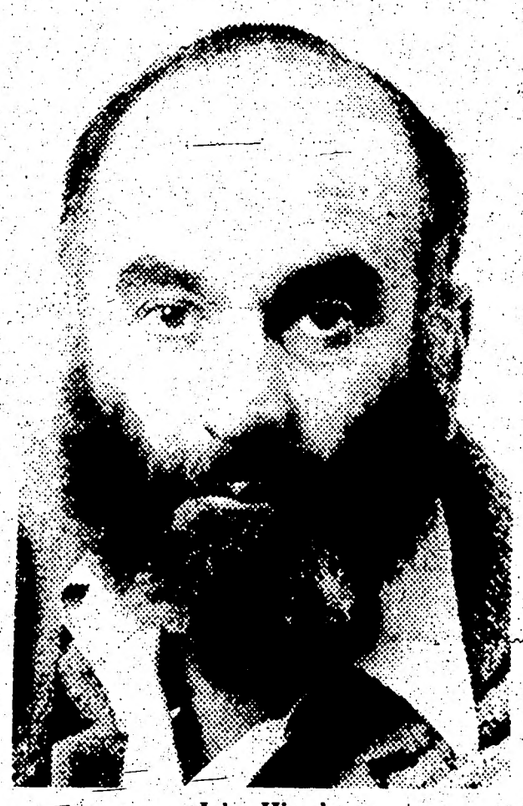

John Hirsch

HIRSCH TRIBUTE ON ROSH HASHANAH

The Stratford Festival decided to hold a tribute for John Hirsch, its one time director, on Oct. 1, the second day of Rosh Hashannah.

The reason for choosing Oct. 1 was given as being the "most convenient" day. The fact that the second day of Rosh Hashanah *is* a convenient day for Stratford in itself helps to explain why an awareness of Jewish culture seems to be lacking. Would so much activity (Guthrie Awards, directors' meetings, tributes) be convenient on Dec. 24, Christmas Day, Jan. 1 or Easter.

In this context it also seems less surprising to find in the current production of *Merchant of Venice* that much of the Jewish perspective of the play is portrayed so insensitively, at times even stereotypically, including Eastern European accents, sharpening knives on the soles of shoes, and most crucially, cutting out of the play the Christians' forced conversion of Shylock.

By omitting the conversion, the irony that would undercut the Christian claim to a "difference of . . . spirit" and thus, portray *both* Christians and Jews as equally fallible, neither having a corner on justice, is also omitted. As a result, one is left with the sense that the Christians' justice is kinder and more human. Is this what we should be taking home with us upon leaving the theatre?

Of course it is impossible to please everyone. And yes, Stratford's scheduling demands are enormously complex. But equally complex and demanding is the relationship, the fine line, between the spirit of an action and the letter of that action, between good intentions and actions that support, not contradict them.

Mr. Hirsch continues to teach us all.

Mark Krause
Actor/director
Toronto

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HARRIS IS NAIVE

Milton Harris is recommending that the Palestinians be given an independent state.

What naivety to believe that they will live in peace with Israel and not use this state as a launching pad for terrorist activity against Israel.

It's very brave to be in a safe ivory tower and give advice to those who have to live under the gun.

Pearl Miller
Toronto

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AUSCHWITZ-BIRKENAU ISSUE

Of all the Nazi death camps, Auschwitz should have been the last place for a convent to be established. It is the most symbolic of the Nazi Holocaust since most of the victims were Jews, singled out for death solely because they were Jews. The horrors committed against them there, defy description, imagination and logic.

To keep faith with the victims and uphold the memory of the innocent men, women and children murdered so brutally, we must bring to justice their murderers — the Nazi war criminals living in freedom and security for so many decades in many parts of the world, including our country, Canada. Only then can the innocent victims, in their nameless and graveless cemetery, rest in peace.

Rose Ehrenworth
Toronto

World-National

One of the animals killed by the Carmel fire. The forest was home to some of Israel's rarest species of wildlife.

$10 million effort

Carmel reforestation begins

JERUSALEM — The Jewish National Fund has begun the massive task of restoring life to Israel's Carmel Forest where, last month, hundreds of acres of forest shrivelled in flames to the torches of suspected Arab arsonists.

"The willful destruction of the forest is tragic," said world JNF chairman Moshe Rivlin, "but the loss of life, of Carmel's natural beauty and wildlife, is devastating.

"There's a big job to be done but, as every outbreak proves, we shall not be deterred from the goals set out by Operation Re-Tree-Val — the planting of 10 trees for every one destroyed and the restoration of the forest."

Fire in the Carmel Forest began in at least five different spots the night of Sept. 19, and raged for 33 hours before it was brought under control. In some places, flames towered as high as 40 metres, and the fire came within several hundred metres of the University of Haifa.

New, sophisticated equipment and roads built by JNF allowed volunteers and firefighters access to the burning areas. When it was over, 10 firefighters had been injured, and two villages evacuated.

One of the most tragic aspects of the Carmel fire was said to be the destruction of some of Israel's rarest species of wildlife. The area is one of Israel's most pristine wilderness sites and houses some of the country's most beautiful flora and fauna. It is protected as a nature preserve by the Israeli government.

The final tally of losses included Carmel deer, wild goats, and the "Yachmor," a species of deer that had been brought to Israel from Iran on the final flight from Tehran before the Ayatollah Khomeini broke off relations with Israel.

A major rebuilding effort is underway. It is estimated that it will take up to $10 million to replace the trees destroyed by the fire.

It will also be expected to take time to restore the natural beauty and wildlife of the forest. Many of the trees were over 400 years old. New trees planted now will take 40 years to reach maturity.

The Jewish Quiz

QUESTIONS:

1. What day was declared as the day of "solidarity with Soviet Jews?"
2. What is the title reserved for the person called up to the reading of the last portion of the Torah on Simchat Torah?
3. What title is given to the person called up to the reading of the first chapter of Genesis on Simchat Torah?

Edmond Y. Lipsitz

ANSWERS:

1. Simchat Torah.
2. Bridegroom of the Law (Hatan Torah).
3. Bridegroom of the Beginning (Hatan Bereshith).

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These questions and answers came from the book 6400 Questions About Judaism and the Jewish People by Edmond Y. Lipsitz, recently published by JESL Educational Products.

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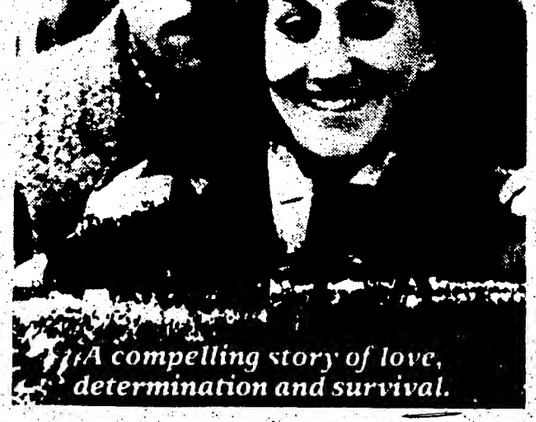

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A 10,000-person mission? It's under consideration

TORONTO —

Canada's "Unity Mission" started it, soon to be followed by Philadelphia's "Mission 1000" and later the 1200 in "California Loves Israel." Now there is talk about an unbelievable mission of 10,000 called the "Israel Mitzvah." This phenomenon has become known as the mega-mission.

There are few countries in the world which can boast group travel to the extent of the thousands that will journey to Israel as one unit. And the groups are by no means restricted to North American Jews who are eager to prove their solidarity with Israel: Christians are making pilgrimages to the Holy Land in equally large numbers. For example the Western Ontario Pentecostal Gathering, Nov. 21-26, 1989, already had over 800 registered delegates.

The 750 people recruited from across Canada on last January's Unity Mission were just pioneers in the field of mega-missions. The impact of their trip was that the public felt more confident to go. A further result was that more and more young people became involved with youth programs.

With the spirit of student travel in mind, the United Israel Appeal and Network have put together an all-inclusive package from January 1-8, 1990 called "Homeward Bound" in which 800-1,000 passengers are expected.

The price is $625 and includes accommodation at the 5-star Jerusalem Hilton, all meals, transportation, taxes, insurance, entrance fees, cruises, shows, and entertainment. The subsidized price offers the round-trip fares from Moncton, Halifax, Ottawa, Toronto, Winnipeg, Saskatoon, Regina, Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver, and Victoria.

Homeward Bound includes visits to Tel Aviv, Masada, the Dead Sea, the Kinneret, the Galilee and of course Jerusalem. Highlights include an opening dinner with Benjamin Natanyahu, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, visits to absorption centres designed for Soviet and Ethiopian immigrants, a pub crawl and a party on board a cruiseship in the Kinneret. The Network annual convention is included in this period.

In Canada, the UJA and UIA are more active than their American counterparts; aside from sponsoring the student mission, they are also aiding the Toronto Jewish Congress in arranging a group for January 9-17, 1990 with at least 400 passengers expected.

Group members will stay at the Jerusalem Hilton, Carlton Tel Aviv, and a Galilee Kibbutz guest house. Included are five dinners and Israeli buffet breakfast daily, sightseeing, and service charges. Extension packages are also offered. The travel agents appointed for bookings are All About Travel, Aufgang Travel, Corson Travel, Fisher-Fremont Travel, Intra-Chesswood Travel and Tic Toc Tours.

In February the Jewish National Fund with Adath Israel Congregation is running its own mega-mission with at least 800 participants. From Feb. 7 to the 19 the visitors will be treated to an array of parades, celebrations, addresses and special activities.

Along the same lines Montreal's UJA is planning an equally-large mission for November 1990.

For more information, contact the Israel Government Tourist Office, 180 Bloor St. W., Suite 700, Toronto, Ontario M5S 2V6 or El Al Israel Airline, 151 Bloor St. W., Suite 650, Toronto, Ontario M5S 1S4, (416) 967-4222.

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SHUNI, Israel —

Shuni, a 1,800-year-old town between Caesarea and Haifa, has been restored and revitalized by a public committee, with the help of the Jewish National Fund and the Historical Preservation Society.

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Depriving treasury of revenue

IDF tries to end tax strike

JERUSALEM (JTA/JPFS) —

The Israel Defence Force appears bent on breaking down one of the few non-violent manifestations of the intifada.

A priority mission now is putting an end to a tax strike being staged by residents of the largely Arab-Christian town of Beit Sahur in the West Bank.

The strike, which has gone on for more than a month, is challenging Israeli authority in the territory and depriving the Treasury of revenue.

The residents of Beit Sahur initially said they were not receiving services from the Israeli government commensurate with the amount of taxes they paid, and therefore were withholding their revenue from tax collectors.

Now, the allegiances of the people of Beit Sahur have apparently changed. Until very recently a somewhat compliant population of Israeli Arabs, the residents of this Christian town have begun to swing their fealties to the Palestinian cause.

And the Palestinians are regarding Beit Sahur as a symbol of non-violent defiance in the uprising against Israel.

There appears to be no signs of wavering, despite the isolation of the town which Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin has imposed and the confiscation of business and personal property in lieu of the unpaid taxes. Rabin wishes to stop Beit Sahur from becoming a Palestinian symbol.

Now, it also seems that Beit Sahur's predicament has sparked sympathy within some segments of Israeli society.

On Thursday of last week, the IDF declared the town and nearby Bethlehem a closed military zone, to prevent a solidarity demonstration at the entrance to Beit Sahur by about 50 peace activists from Jerusalem.

Soldiers stopped most of the sympathizers at Rachel's Tomb. But a few, who wore skullcaps, were able to drive through IDF roadblocks, apparently being mistaken for Jewish settlers.

Those who were able to penetrate the barriers demonstrated their solidarity with the Beit Sahur townspeople.

The Palestinians handed the protesters leaflets vowing to continue to withhold their taxes, because they will not "finance the bullets that kill our children."

The IDF, meanwhile, circulated leaflets of its own, warning the residents of continued pressure until they pay the taxes due.

Several townspeople have been detained, and close to a million dollars in property have been confiscated and will be sold at auction next week.

The IDF leaflet told the residents they were being subjected to penalties and hardship by a few irresponsible people, who are exploiting the situation for political gains.

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A foreign diplomat who is taking a keen interest in events in Beit Sahur insisted last week that it is vital to his work that he travel widely in the territories and said he strives for objectivity in reporting what he sees there.

Interviewed by the Jerusalem Post in his office in East Jerusalem, Ivan Callan, British consul-general for the past 2½ years, sought to play down the controversy that surrounded his visits to Nablus and Beit Sahur.

Declining to comment directly on those visits, he declared nonetheless that "an important part of my work is to send [back to the U.K.] accurate and objective reports on events in the occupied territories."

He was always "acting in British interests," he stressed.

There is no disputing the fact that Callan, in his armored Landrover, entered Nablus and Beit Sahur while both towns were under curfew, but it is understood that on neither occasion was he asked to turn back. Days before, he had been in a party of foreign diplomats prevented from entering Beit Sahur by an army roadblock at the southern city lines of Jerusalem.

As for his demand that the shooting in Nablus of Palestinian student Nidal al-Habash two weeks ago be fully investigated, it is understood that Callan heard eyewitness testimony indicating that, contrary to army statements, the killing occurred after al-Habash had surrendered to troops. While Callan cannot be sure of what happened, he believes a proper investigation is necessary.

British Foreign Office ministers David Mellor and William Waldegrave have infuriated the Israeli government with their comments on policies in the territories in recent years.

Britain believes that the Israeli authorities are now ultra-sensitive to the activities of its officials in Israel.

In Jerusalem, meanwhile, Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev announced "some progress" in the ongoing investigation into the wave of arson against Jewish-owned vehicles in the capital.

He said several very small terrorist cells, of two to three people each, are responsible for this.

Bar-Lev said certain measures used in the administered territories to quell disturbances cannot be employed at Jerusalem.

"Jerusalem is not the territories. Jerusalem is sovereign Israel, where the Israeli law is in force. And according to Israeli law, if somebody puts a mask on his face, this is not yet a reason to be fired at," Bar-Lev said.

He was referring to an IDF order, approved by the Justice Ministry, allowing soldiers to fire at the legs of masked Palestinian youths believed to be instigators of disturbances.

The police minister implied criticism of the recent closure of part of East Jerusalem to prevent Palestinian activists from holding a news conference to draw attention to the tax strike in Beit Sahur.

He said this was enacted without his knowledge. Though the police enforced the ban, he said, the orders came from the army.

Bar-Lev also said Jerusalem was quieter now that police reinforcements had arrived. But complete quiet "is impossible to attain," he said.

Courts martial discipline troops

TEL AVIV (JTA) —

Eighty-six soldiers and officers have been court-martialed for offences such as causing death, violating open-fire orders, assault and damaging property since the start of the intifada nearly two years ago.

Another 500 to 600 soldiers have been summoned to disciplinary hearings for less serious offences, IDF Judge Advocate General Amnon Strashnow told reporters covering the administered territories last week.

But IDF soldiers are now permitted, with the approval of the Justice Ministry, to shoot at masked Palestinian youths in the territories because they are "hard-core activists of the uprising, responsible for assaulting and killing fellow Arabs," Strashnow said.

The IDF chief prosecutor explained that soldiers may fire live ammunition at the legs of masked youths if they ignore calls to halt and warning shots fired into the air.

Strashnow stressed, that "this is not a licence to kill."

During the course of the Palestinian uprising, which began Dec. 9, 1987, more than 40,000 Palestinians have been arrested, Strashnow reported. That number includes 8,400 held without trial in administrative detention, he said.

Of that number, 1,889 are still being held.

All told, there are currently 9,600 prisoners held in IDF jails, and 4,000 Palestinian convicts held in Prison Service jails.

Strashnow described the masked youths as "the hard core facing the security forces in their war against the uprising. They oil the wheels of the uprising, confiscating identity cards, preventing workers from coming to Israel, physically assaulting people and murdering them."

These young men are "terrorizing the population," he continued, underscoring that "some 125 Arabs have been murdered by Arabs during the uprising."

UN agency protests seizures, detentions

JERUSALEM (JTA) —

A UN relief agency that oversees Palestinian refugee camps has lodged a protest with the Israeli authorities over the detention of its personnel and seizure of documents by the Israeli army.

The United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian Refugees lodged its complaints in Jerusalem and with the Israeli mission to UNRWA headquarters in Vienna.

Israeli forces reportedly broke into the UNRWA food-distribution centre in the Deir el-Balah refugee camp in the Gaza Strip on Wednesday of last week, and confiscated papers from the office of the UNRWA Refugee Services Officer responsible for four refugee camps in the Gaza Strip.

When international UNRWA personnel confronted the soldiers, they were detained but released after questioning.

In the West Bank the same day, three local UNWRA employees were arrested for questioning and documents were seized from their offices.

The employees were the camp service officers at the Jalazoun, Dehaishe and Fawwar refuge camps.

The UN complaint elicited a sympathetic reaction from the United States.

"As a general matter, we regret any actions that interfere with UNRWA's important humanitarian operations in providing education, medical and relief services to Palestinian refugees," State Department spokesman Margaret Tutwiler said at a news briefing on Thursday.

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Poland to re-build Israel ties

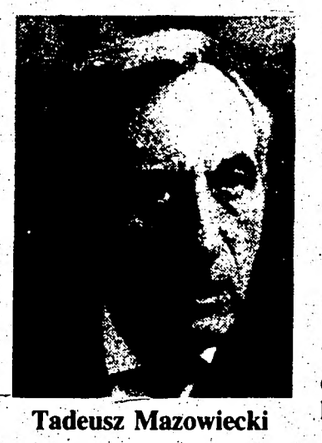
ROME (JTA) —

The leader of Poland's first non-Communist government since the Second World War has affirmed here that Poland will re-establish diplomatic relations with Israel, though he could not say exactly when.

Prime Minister Tadeusz Mazowiecki, on his first trip abroad since taking office, told a news conference last Friday that such a move was definitely expected.

"I cannot give you a precise date, but we're on the way," he said.

Poland severed diplomatic ties with Israel during the 1967 Six-Day War. Last year, the two countries established interest sections in Warsaw and Tel Aviv respectively, the lowest level of formal contact.



Tadeusz Mazowiecki

The Israelis, however, were permitted to use the building that had served as their embassy before the break, a building that had been vacant for 22 years.

Mazowiecki said his government's position is that the rights of Israelis and Palestinians must be respected. He pointed out that Poland has good relations with the Palestine Liberation Organization, which has an office in Warsaw.

"We are greatly interested in achieving peace in the Middle East and (having) all interested states and political forces choosing the road to a durable peace," he said.

"I think that both Jews and Palestinians are condemned to live alongside each other (and) both sides have the right to be equally recognized," Mazowiecki added.

The fact that Poland is beginning to resolve deep political conflicts gives hope that progress can be achieved in solving other political conflicts, such as the Middle East, the Polish premier said.

He acknowledged, however, that the Middle East conflict is deeper and of longer standing than the one in Poland.

Mazowiecki also said his government would do whatever it could to help resolve the conflict over a Carmelite convent on the grounds of the former Auschwitz death camp in Poland.

"But naturally, this is not a government-to-government question," he said.

Nevertheless, the prime minister cited as an important step the Vatican statement signed last month by Johannes Cardinal Willebrands, president of the Vatican Commission for Religious Relations with Judaism.

The statement affirmed that the nuns should be relocated in accordance with an agreement signed in 1987 by four European cardinals and world Jewish leaders.

Pope calls for Palestinian home

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

The Israeli Foreign Ministry Sunday night refrained from reacting to the statement on Sunday by Pope John Paul II supporting a Palestinian homeland, saying that it was awaiting a full text of his address.

But Avi Pazner, the prime minister's media adviser, said, "The Pope's concern for a homeland for the Palestinians is very peculiar in light of the fact that despite the 40 years of Israel's existence, the Vatican has yet to recognize or show the same concern for the homeland of the Jewish people."

Addressing some 30,000 people gathered outside Saint Peter's Basilica, the Pope said, "I wish to make my own the legitimate request of the Palestinian people to live in peace in their own country."

The Pope has in the past voiced his support for a Palestinian homeland and spoken out strongly against the violence in the territories. While he also has said he supports the justice of Israel's existence as a Jewish state, he did not mention Israel in this latest weekly address.

The papal message could well have been prompted by an appeal to the Pope from the mayor and community leaders of Beit Sahur, the predominantly Christian West Bank town where the Israeli Civil Administration has been confiscating property and carrying out tax raids.

CJC attacks church council paper

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...It is apparent that economic difficulties, and a demanding and costly foreign policy, particularly in Lebanon, have put strains on the country," the report stated.

The Council, which in an introductory section acknowledged the "great suffering that Christian anti-Judaism has caused to the Jewish community," stated that the subject of Jerusalem "is an important issue in itself, quite separate from the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

"In our view, the Israeli annexation of East Jerusalem is a violation of international law."

The paper "affirm(s) the vital importance of free access for members of all three religious traditions to the holy places in Jerusalem."

In a reply to the council's paper, Scheininger recalled "that during the Jordanian occupation, 1948-67, synagogues and Jewish cemeteries were desecrated and there were severe restrictions on worship by non-Islamic faiths. Since 1967 (when Israel seized Jerusalem and the territories in a defensive war), all faiths have had unhindered access to their holy places."

Scheininger also repeated the Congress position calling for direct negotiations between the parties based on the election plan proposed by Israel.

"A glaring omission in the paper," Scheininger stated, "is the failure to mention the scourge of terrorism...and in not addressing the plight of the hostages in Lebanon, including Anglican envoy Terry Waite, who has been held by terrorists for years."

Shuls escape major damage

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the city recovered from its devastation.

Another historic synagogue that escaped damage, Temple Emanu-El, houses the congregation to which the respective owners of the Oakland Athletics and the San Francisco Giants both belong. The earthquake put a sudden halt to the third World Series game between the two Bay Area teams.

The old building housing the Israeli Consulate in downtown San Francisco also sustained some outside damage. But there were no injuries among the consulate's staff, said Consul Anna Azari.

When the quake hit, some reporters at the Northern California Jewish Bulletin in San Francisco were knocked off their chairs and, as instructed, took shelter under desks or door frames. The weekly paper was forced to suspend publication this week.

A slight variation on the duck-and-cover procedure was reported by Rabbi Noach Vogel of the Chabad congregation in San Jose. "Every time there was an aftershock," he said, "we ran to the door post and kissed the mezuzah."

In Jerusalem, Israeli President Chaim Herzog and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir sent cables Wednesday to President Bush, expressing Israel's sympathy to those in the San Francisco area.

"Please accept on my behalf and on behalf of the people of Israel our heartfelt condolences on the tragic events in the earthquake in California," Herzog's cable read. "Our sympathy goes out to the bereaved families."

The mayor of Haifa, Arye Gurel, offered Mayor Art Agnos of San Francisco the aid of the Israeli disaster relief teams that helped earthquake victims in Soviet Armenia and Mexico. Haifa and San Francisco maintain a sister-city relationship.

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Eisen, Rosenthal succeed Stern

Soviet Jewry chairmen named

MONTREAL —
Wendy Litwack Eisen of Toronto and Michael (Micky) Rosenthal of Montreal have been named co-chairmen of the Canadian Jewish Congress National Soviet Jewry Committee, succeeding Barbara Stern.

Eisen, who lived in Montreal until 1981, was a founding member of the Montreal Group of 35, Women's Campaign for Soviet Jewry in 1974 and was the group's chairman from 1976-79.

She was an executive member of the Montreal Committee for Soviet Jewry of CJC from 1974-81, and the National Committee for Soviet Jewry since 1976.

Since moving to Toronto, she has served as chairman of the Toronto 35s, coordinator of the Interfaith Council for Soviet Jewry and co-chairman of the Committee for Soviet Jewry, Ontario Region.

She was a delegate to the Second and Third World Conferences on Soviet Jewry, the National Conferences on Soviet Jewry in Washington and New York, and the Conferences of the Union of Councils for Soviet Jewry from 1976-86.

Wendy Litwack Eisen

Michael Rosenthal

In December, 1978, she visited refuseniks in Moscow, Leningrad and Kiev, one of the first Jewish emigration activists to do so.

In 1984, she planned to lead a group of prominent Christians on a fact-finding mission to the Soviet Union, but six days before their departure, her visa was refused. The group travelled without her.

Eisen made it to the Soviet Union again last year when she visited Moscow, Leningrad and Vilnius with professor Irving Abella, Canon John Erb, writer Robert Fulford and MP John Oostrom.

She is the author of a number of educational publications on Soviet Jewry, including Jewish Voices from the Soviet Gulag, the stories of Jews who were imprisoned for dissidence in the Soviet Union and are now living in Israel, published by Keren Hayesod.

Eisen is also an executive member of the United Jewish Appeal's Women's Division and of Toronto Jewish Congress and CJC.

Rosenthal, 72, who holds an MBA from Harvard University, was president of Cesco Electronics Ltd. until 1985. He was chairman of the 1987 Combined Jewish Appeal, and has served as a governor of the YM-YWHA, Miriam Home and Jewish General Hospital.

Rosenthal visited the Soviet Union in April, 1987, visiting 20 refusenik families.

Renee Bellas of Vancouver has been named vice-chairman of the National Soviet Jewry Committee.

Delegates expected from around world

Hebrew U supporters to hold meet

MONTREAL —
Six hundred supporters of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem will gather in Montreal next August for the Third International Conference of the Friends of the Hebrew University at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel.

The theme of the conference, Aug. 15-19, is From Mount Scopus to Mount Royal. Clara Balinsky, a national vice-president of the Canadian Friends and a governor of the Hebrew University, is chairman.

Delegates are expected from around the world and across Canada. The conference will begin officially with a performance of Les Grands Ballets Canadiens at Place des Arts, followed by a festive dinner.

The next day delegates will travel to Ottawa where they will be received at Government House, the residence of the Governor-General. Other events that day include a tour of the Museum of Civilization, with its director George Macdonald, to see Coat of Many Colors, an exhibition on Canadian Jewry, sponsored by Andrea and Charles Bronfman.

They will also visit the National Art Gallery and hear a lecture by its architect Moshe Safdie.

On Aug. 17, delegates will be back in Montreal to tour the Canadian Centre for Architecture with its founder Phyllis Lambert.

Clara Balinsky

This will be followed by a luncheon featuring "a major American figure."

Montrealers will host delegates in their homes for Shabbat dinner, and there will be a gala ball at the Queen Elizabeth Saturday night. The conference will wind up Aug. 19 with a champagne cruise on the St. Lawrence.

An optional flight to see the James Bay hydro-electric power project is scheduled for Aug. 20.

Delegates are encouraged to bring their families to the conference; programming will be available for children age six and up.

It won't be all play for the delegates, however. Senior Hebrew University faculty members will lead academic sessions throughout the conference. A new short film about the university will have its Canadian premiere.

Balinsky said close to 100 volunteers in Montreal alone are working to ensure warm hospitality for those coming from out of town.

The conference costs $2,400 a couple. Space is limited.

For further information, contact your nearest office of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

Previous Friends international conferences have been held in Israel and London.

Montreal native wins Nobel Prize

MONTREAL —
Sidney Altman, who shares this year's Nobel Prize in chemistry, is a Montreal native, whose father owned a small grocery story in the Notre Dame de Grace district.

His mother Rose still lives in Montreal in a nursing home.

Altman, 50, a professor of molecular biology at Yale University, left Montreal in 1956 after he graduated from West Hill High School to attend university in the United States. He became a U.S. citizen in 1984, but retains his Canadian citizenship.

Altman shares the Nobel with Thomas Cech of the University of Colorado in Boulder. Working independently, the two men discovered that ribonucleic acid (RNA), a genetic substance, was not merely a passive carrier of genetic information as had been believed for 75 years, but can actively aid chemical reactions in the cell.

The discovery may lead to ways of destroying harmful RNA molecules that cause infections and of curing hereditary diseases.

His former teachers at West Hill remembered Altman as a bright, but quiet, student.

After graduating from West Hill, Altman attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he obtained an undergraduate degree in physics. He earned a PhD at the University of Colorado, and studied at Harvard University and Cambridge. He went to Yale in 1971.

From 1985, until June of this year, Altman was dean of Yale College, directing undergraduate education.

Ballet art works now on display

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —
A school art teacher, actor and singer, playwright and writer, artist and inventor, Arnold Ross wears many hats. Although he says he enjoys writing the most, it's teaching that pays the bills and through his art that he is finally becoming best known.

Ross and the Royal Winnipeg Ballet are celebrating their 50th birthdays together this fall. On his own initiative, Ross has spent the last year doing portraits of the ballet. In return, the RWB is sponsoring a month-long exhibit of his ballet works at the Archives Building in downtown Winnipeg.

Last month the Shaarey Zedek Synagogue staged a showing of Ross' "rabbis" and "babas." "I like the character in their faces," says the artist. "The first 'rabbi' I did was my zaida. I caught a Lubavitcher convention on television a couple of years ago and videotaped it. It gave me hundreds of 'rabbis' to use as models."

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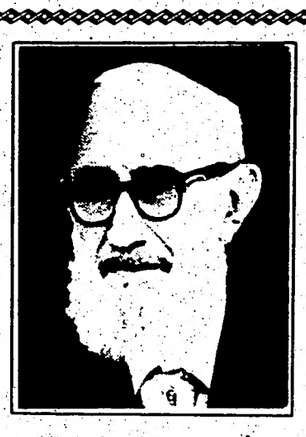

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Dr. Ruth addresses overflow crowd at UJA Night

By
LEILA SPEISMAN

TORONTO —
Dr. Ruth Westheimer might have been forgiven for becoming embittered and hostile after her horrific experiences as a refugee from Nazism. Instead, she became the ebullient and witty "Dr. Ruth."

Surprisingly, she told the overflow crowd of 1,600 at UJA Night at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, all the 100 German- Jewish children torn from their parents and from middle-class Orthodox homes, uneducated and treated as servants, turned out well.

The only hopeful outcome of the fiasco of the Evian conference to save the Jews was the saving of a few hundred children by several countries including Switzerland, the young Ruth among them. Although she is, she said, grateful to the Swiss authorities, Jewish community and orphanage that took her in, she spoke nevertheless of unfeeling and psychologically inept staff.

They didn't realize, she said, the implications for children of leaving everything familiar, and living lives filled with uncertainty and as objects of charity.

"They said our parents didn't love us, or they wouldn't have sent us away," she said.

"We had to go and ask permission at the police station every six months to stay another six months. We couldn't go to high school, most of us, because the Swiss Jewish community wouldn't pay the fees."

As well, there was no way for normal adolescent rebellion to take place. "We had to be grateful. Just over the mountain was Germany, where we would have never survived."

One of her worst memories was when the war ended, and the list of survivors came. "We weren't called in individually to learn whether our families had survived."

Instead, they had to sit night after night while the authorities read through the lists, hoping to hear familiar names.

Nevertheless, the children, who ranged in age from six to 14 when they went to Switzerland, coped.

The boys, she said, were trained as carpenters and bakers. "There was a Sabbath-observing carpenter and a Sabbath-observing baker who were willng to teach them."

All the women, she said, joned the helping professions — nursing, social work, teaching.

"None of the men became criminals. None of the women became prostitutes."

This, she concluded, was because they had lived their early lives in loving families, steeped in tradition, which helped them overcome their difficult later childhoods.

Dr. Ruth Westheimer (centre) is shown with key participants in UJA Night program. From left are Hilda Cohen and Susan Borden, UJA Night co-chairmen; Etty Danzig, president of Jewish Women's Federation; and Women's Campaign 1990 chairman, Carol Kassel.

Wanting to become a kindergarten teacher, she earned the diploma of a Swiss housemaid, a prerequisite.

"If I ever need a job, I might apply to you ladies to become a housemaid — I have all the credentials."

When she later did a research study on these children, she discovered that they "went back to the values and beliefs of their background: they went back to being middle-class people, with middle-class aspirations for their children."

Dr Ruth's saga, she said, began 50 years ago, Jan. 5, 1939, on a grey rainy morning, when whe was put on a train in Frankfurt for what was to be a six month stay.

After all, "German Jews, even Orthodox ones, couldn't believe that in the country of Goethe and Schiller something really awful could happen."

She recalled "I didn't want to go," poignantly remembering her mother and grandmother (her father was already in Dachau) running beside the train for one last wave.

Like most of the children in the orphanage, she never saw them again.

After the war, she went to Israel, where she became a member of the Haganah.

"Even though I'm only 4'7", I'm a good sniper, and I can still throw hand grenades. Maybe that's why people listen to me so well."

After spending several years in Paris, where she was director of a Jewish kindergarten for children of people preparing to go to Israel, and at the Sorbonne, she went to the United States to see one of her few surviving relatives, an uncle.

Wandering around New York, she saw an ad for the New School of Social Research, offering scholarships to victims of Nazi persecution.

"Of course, I went in, and the next day I had my scholarship."

She finished with a doctorate in education in family studies from Columbia University.

In 1967, she said, she went to work for Planned Parenthood. "When I went there, I thought they were crazy — all they talked about was sex. After five seconds, I decided it was a great profession."

Her phenomenally successful radio and TV career took off from her work there.

"They wanted someone to speak about sex on a talk show: no one else would do it."

The reason she is able to speak so clearly about sex, she said, is that in Judaism "sex is not a sin."

According to Jewish tradition, sex is not only for procreation, she pointed out. "A husband is obligated to give his wife sexual pleasure even after menopause."

Westheimer was introduced by Hilda Cohen and thanked by Susan Borden, co-chairmen of the evening.

Carol Kassel, chairman ofthe 1990 UJA Women's Campaign, said that every generation of Jews has been issued special challenges.

Ours, she said, are education, poverty, the elderly and the disabled, and the newest challenge, the Soviet Jews.

"The Jews of Russia are being let go, and we must accept responsibility to help them immigrate and integrate."

She cited as an example of the staggering cost of assisting Soviet Jews the $1.8 billion for housing for them in Israel alone.

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The organizers confessed to being overwhelmed by the response to the program. Etty Danzig, president of Jewish Women's Federation, said in her welcome, "This is the first time we have had to return cheques (to people who wanted to come). We should have rented Skydome."

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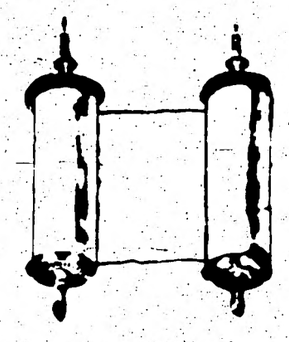

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By
RABBI MEIR URI GOTTESMAN

Parshat Breshit / Rosh Chodesh Cheshvan

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"But the gamara (Talmud) testifies that you are an am ha'aretz!" retorted the Nodah bi'Yehudah.

"The gamara!" shouted the man, "which gamara?"

"Every gamara from Berachot to Niddah (the first and last tractates of the Talmud)!" answered the Nodah bi'Yehudah. (Chad V'chalak)

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We begin the cycle of Bereishit again, like a plane about to depart. Hurry! We can jump on, study Torah, learn! learn! learn!

The Torah begins with Creation, the mysterious first seven days of Creation that we cannot measure or understand.

For most of the days there is an ordinal number, the second day, the third day, the fourth, the fifth, the sixth — but not the first. After the creation of the first day, it does not say *yom rishon* the first day, but *yom echad*, one day, day one, a day unique, a day separated and unmeasurable.

Why? After all, it was the first day of seven!

Explains Rashi: It was called one day "because the Almighty was One and alone in the Universe, since even the angels were not created until the second day."

The Meshech Chachmah gives a second reason: It was called day one, one day, because a day is called first or second if it is one of a series, part of a whole.

But the first day, the Day One, was separated by its very nature. On the first day was created an *or haganuz*, a sacred, pure light that the Almighty saw was too holy for the wicked to use in this world. So it was hidden, ganuz, for the World to Come, a time when the righteous will reign. That first day had a light that set it apart from the rest of Creation!

Where is that light now? Who has it? A light that allows one to see from one end of the Universe to the other; a light of holiness; a light of understanding.

It is hidden, ganuz. Hidden where? Do we need a Raider of the Lost Ark to find it?

No. Pashut . . . it is simple. The light that emanates from the highest source is hidden in the mystery and wisdom and teaching to be found in the words of the Torah. Every Jew can open a Chumash, begin to swim in the sweet waters of Torah learning, paddle out deeper and deeper to the commentaries and teachings of our sages, sail into the tides of Halacha, dive deep, deep, into the mysteries of chassidus and Kabbalah. There! There it is! A sunny ocean on your bookshelf!

We just have to want. Shabbat Shalom.

Don't sit on sidelines: Scheininger

Jews are urged to speak up for Israel

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Canadian Jews need to drop their fear of the spotlight and be ready to argue their point of view with other Canadians as befits a maturing community, Les Scheininger, president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, said here recently.

Along with this entrance into political debate in Canada, the Jewish community will need to accept criticism, he said.

"We can't watch silently on the sidelines when our country condemns Israel or when the canard of dual loyalty is made against us," Scheininger said.

He was speaking at a public forum sponsored by Toronto Hadassah-WIZO at Beth Tzedec Synagogue. The subject of the forum was, The 21st Century: Two Views of the Jewish Future.

The other member of the forum, Shimon Arbel, said he has no doubt that Israel will reach a peace with the Palestinians. Arbel is the Canadian representative of the Hebrew University.

Answering a query from the audience, Scheininger said the leaders of the CJC are being received with respect when meeting with the federal government, "but there seems to be unease about our youth and the fact we are different people than they're used to." He added: "We've discussed tough issues with them, not just pleasantries."

It was not until the Holocaust that Jews the world over realized their "powerlessness," he said.

"Our challenge in the future is how power is exercised in Israel and the Diaspora," he said. "As long as we were seen as a 'David' it was easy for the world to rally to our side. But now the rest of the world is discomfited by the sight of Jews with their heads held high."

Jews can no longer afford to exist on the periphery of mainstream Canada, he said. "We are not the same community that let 13 years go by before we sought prosecution against hatemongers in Canada. We can no longer afford to be invisible in Canadian society."

The CJC president cautioned that the Jewish community must not be just a one-issue community, and should be ready to take part in debates on such issues as

Shimon Arbel

Les Scheininger

the Constitution and the care of the disabled.

"We are just beginning our adventure in political affairs and we are far behind Israel and the United States in this respect," he said.

Asked how Jewish families can make their best contribution to a good future, Schieninger said, "Send your children and grandchildren to a Jewish school. Make sure they become involved in the community so they'll be prepared for the kind of political activity we face." On this question, Arbel said teaching the Hebrew language should have first priority.

A Hebrew University official whose home is in Israel, Arbel predicted that in 50 years most of the people in Israel will be Jews, a majority of Jews will speak Hebrew and that a majority of the world's Jews will rally for Jewish causes.

"There is a myth circulating that Israel is less religious than the Diaspora, but the opposite is true, he said. "The number of Israelis who keep kosher homes is higher than in the Diaspora."

The birth rate in Israel is 3.6 per family, he said, compared with 1.89 in Canada. "Among all the Jewish communities, Israel is the only one with an increasing population."

He asserted: "It took 30 years to reach an agreement with Egypt. It will take time to reach one with the Palestinians. Have patience. We are entitled to our paranoia."

Arbel said he lives three miles from the West Bank "and I don't want a Palestinian state in my backyard."

Brondell Shapiro, chairman of Hadassah-WIZO's public affairs committee, introduced the speakers and they were thanked by Mindy Kirsh, vice-chairman.

Cooking, comedy at book fair

TORONTO —

Current events, comedy and even a cooking demonstration are on the menu for the 13th annual Jewish Book Fair Oct. 28-Nov. 5 at the Leah Posluns Theatre of the Jewish Community Center, 4588 Bathurst St.

It opens Oct. 28 at 8:30 p.m. with an address by Yehoshafat Harkabi, author of Israel's Fateful Hour, speaking on "The Arab-Israeli Conflict: The Present Stage."

An Israeli rabbi, Benjy Levene, does a one-man comic show on the Four Faces of Israel, exploring the issues of Jewish identity and Jewish unity. It takes place Oct. 29 at 8:30 p.m.

The microwave cooking demonstration is Thursday, Nov. 2 by Norene Gilletz at 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

All in all, 16 separate talks are being given at the Fair. For further information phone 636-9756.

Correction

Due to a transmission error, an incorrect cost and incorrect phone number appeared in a story "UIA assists Network's convention" (Oct. 19, 1989). The correct cost of the Homeward Bound program is **$625** per person, not $825. Network's phone number in Toronto is **(416) 783-1165**, and the other contact number, Eli Rubenstein at the United Israel Appeal, is **(416) 636-7655.**

The CJN regrets the errors.

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Organizations and People

Monson to be feted by Shaare Zedek Foundation

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —
On Sunday evening, Nov. 12, Rabbi David Monson will be honored by the community at a reception hosted by the Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation in celebration of his 50th anniversary as a religious leader in Toronto.

To mark the occasion, a new service in orthopedics is being established in the name of the rabbi and his wife, Sue, at Shaare Zedek Medical Center in Jerusalem.

Monson has been dubbed "the people's rabbi." The phones in his home and car ring often with cries for help — requests as varied as money for a return flight to Israel to money to buy beds for a family of recent immigrants to "putting in a good word" with the authorities.

As an unofficial welfare commissioner, Monson's days and evenings are fully taken up with errands of mercy. During a recent CJN interview the phone rang every five or 10 minutes. He has no secretary and keeps all his records himself.

Monson's memory for names and faces is prodigious. Last month he recalled the date 50 years ago when he officiated at the marriage of Bernie and Ida Lesh in Ottawa, the first such ceremony he had performed since his ordination.

"I wondered what they were doing, so I called the long distance operator and got their number in Ottawa," Monson reminisced.

"When Bernie answered, I said 'Happy 50th anniversary.' He told me later that he nearly fell over in surprise."

A new wing at Beth Sholom is to be named in the rabbi's honor. The groundbreaking ceremony took place several weeks ago and construction has begun.

Rabbi David Monson

But most people don't think of Monson as being associated with bricks and mortar. Instead, they see him at a graveside service for a welfare recipient, even in the cold of winter, facing into a chill wind, saying prayers for the deceased, later talking about the kin and friends of the departed.

And they see the man who can't say "no" when someone asks for help.

Monson saw service overseas during the Second World War.

"I suppose other rabbis didn't have the exposure of living with Christians as I did," he said. "I lived with them through the war, I ate with them, slept with them and helped bury their dead."

In recognition of his war service, Monson was appointed chaplain of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada and of the General Wingate Branch of the Royal Canadian Legion No. 256.

Many people aren't aware that, in 1938, he gathered petitions and organized protest meetings while a student rabbi in Timmins, in northern Ontario, demanding that then prime minister Mackenzie King admit to Canada the Jews fleeing Hitler. He also organized protest meetings in Toronto in 1946 condemning Britain for turning Holocaust survivors away from the shores of Israel, causing an editorial writer for the Daily Hebrew Journal of Toronto to castigate him roundly for twisting the British lion's tail.

Monson's friendship with the late John Diefenbaker is well known. When Diefenbaker became prime minister, one of his first breakfast guests was Monson, who arrived with rolls from Kardish's bakery in Ottawa and affixed a beautiful Israeli mezuzah to the front door of the official residence.

Drama surrounded another Diefenbaker-Monson meeting about 30 years ago. Two Moroccan Jews came to Monson pleading for help. They faced a deportation hearing and didn't know where else to turn. Monson and the immigrants drove all night and reached Diefenbaker's office door before he arrived.

"The PM got the then minister of immigration on the line," Monson recalled. "I heard him say 'We must give these people refuge,' and they were safe. He later opened the door wide for Moroccan Jews who were permitted to leave their native country only on the condition that they go to North America and not to Israel."

In 1946, the rabbi called together 40 of his friends, many of them buddies from the service, and they established Beth Sholom, "the house of peace."

Monson is well known for his work in the non-Jewish community as well. He was one of the founders of Northwestern General Hospital and of the University of Waterloo. The University bestowed an honorary Doctor of Laws on him in 1964. He helped establish the Red Cross free blood donor service, fashioned after the Israeli system, and was chairman of the Ontario Health Services Insurance Council out of which OHIP evolved in 1959.

Monson has visited Israel 43 times and his zeal for promoting Israeli causes has been well recognized. About 12 years ago, the Rabbi David and Sue Monson Department in Laboratory Medicine was established at Shaare Zedek Medical Center and a youth centre in Or Yehuda bears their names. Nearby, there is a swimming pool which he helped build for under-privileged children. His devotion to the Association of the Welfare of Soldiers of Israel was marked with the dedication of the lobby of a recreation centre in Kiryat Milachi in his name.

Monson says he has always followed the dictum "Lo Hamedrash Ecka Ela Hamaraseh" — action, not learning, is paramount.

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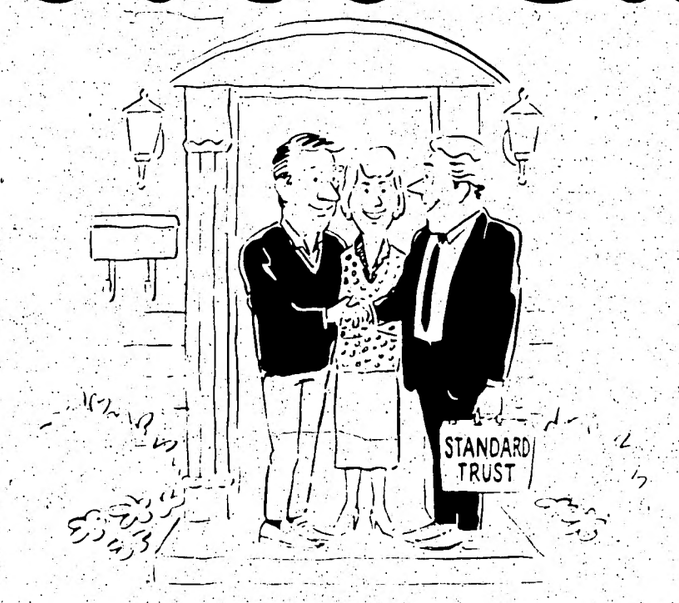

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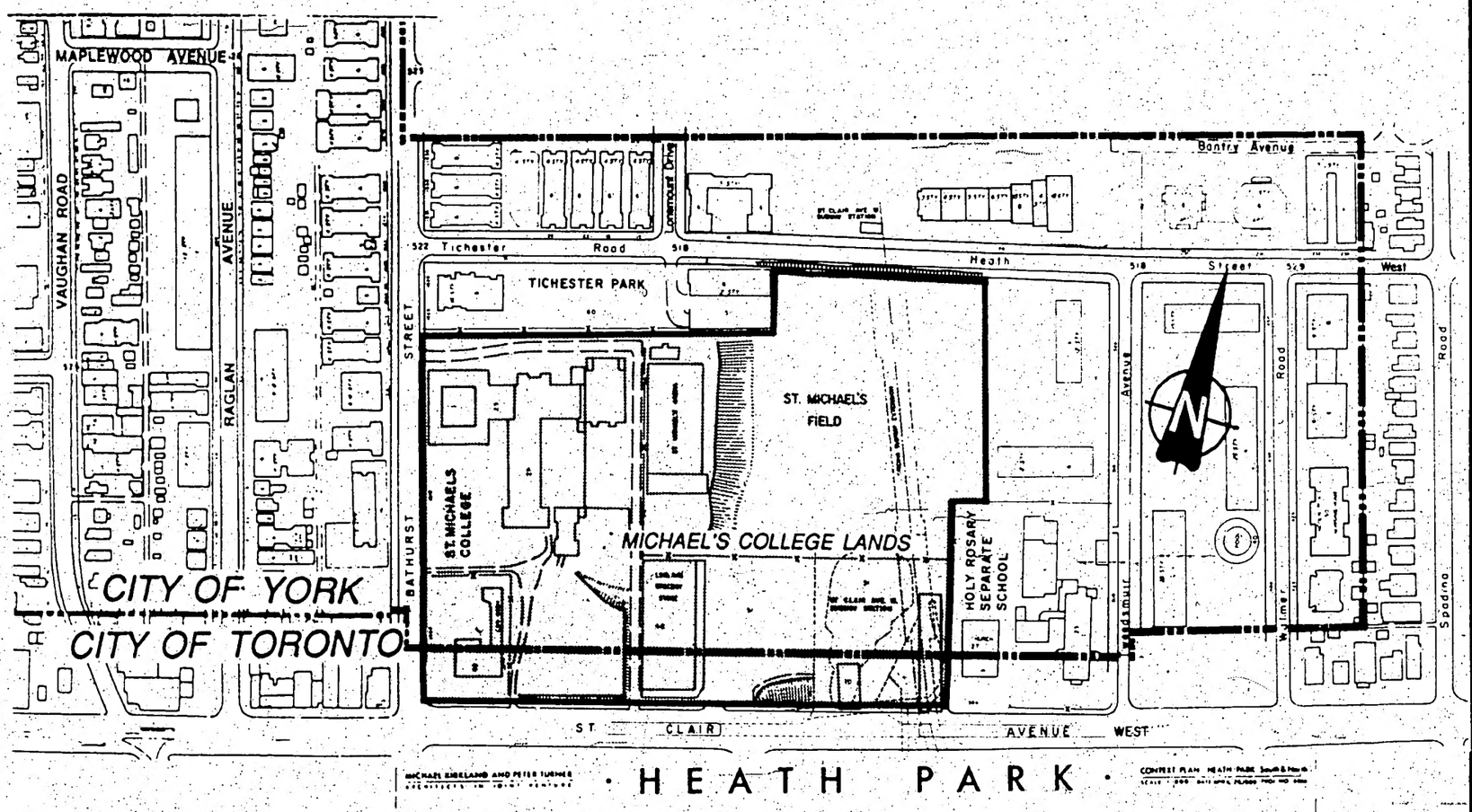
PLACE: **CAFETERIA, ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE SCHOOL 1515 BATHURST STREET.**

An Informal Preview Information Meeting relating to an application by Bedford Green Estates to amend the City of York Official Plan and Zoning By-law 1-83 and to amend the City of Toronto Zoning By-law respecting the above subject lands will be held on November 7th and again on November 9th in the Cafeteria of St. Michael's College School starting at 7:30 p.m.

THE SITE:

The site is approximately 6.5 ha (16 acres) in area. It consists of all of St. Michael's College land holdings occupying the block bounded by Bathurst Street, Tichester Road/Heath Street, Tweedsmuir Avenue and St. Clair Avenue West as shown on the Key Map below. The site is currently occupied by the St. Michael's College school, and related church, arena, and playfield; a Loblaws supermarket and associated parking lot; a Petro Canada Gas station and car wash; and, the T.T.C. St. Clair West Subway Station.

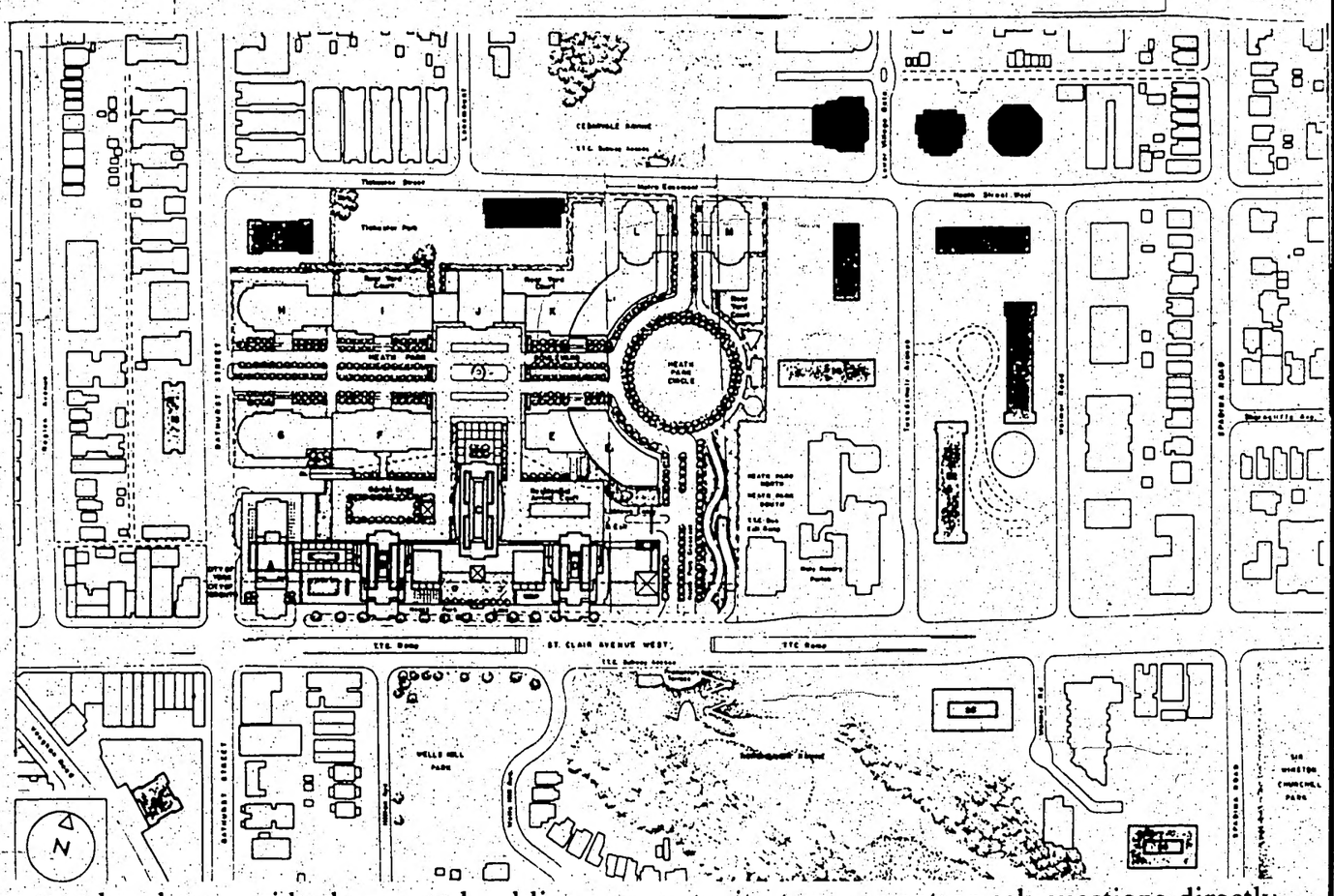


THE PROPOSAL:

The applicant proposes to develop the site in two phases. Phase I, located on the south 2.5 ha of the site stretching from Bathurst Street to the east boundary abutting Holy Rosary Separate School includes:

- 1000 residential units in three 24 storey apartment buildings plus one 11-storey senior citizens apartment building.
- 26,012m² of commercial space in a 4-storey podium fronting on St. Clair Avenue West containing a supermarket, offices, a gas station at grade and parking.
- a landscaped open space link on the eastern edge to connect the Cedarvale and Nordheimer Ravines.

Phase II, occupying the balance of the site, includes the construction of 2,045 residential units. A concept plan of the proposal is shown.



PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:

This meeting is to allow the applicant to explain the proposal and to provide the general public an opportunity to comment or ask questions directly to the applicant. Formal public meetings will be held at a later date. **FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE PUBLIC TWO MEETINGS HAVE BEEN ARRANGED. THE SAME PRESENTATION WILL BE MADE AT BOTH MEETINGS.**

FURTHER INFORMATION:

Plans of the proposal are on file in the Planning & Economic Developement Departments of the City of York and City of Toronto and may be examined during regular office hours. Further information may be obtained by telephoning Mr. Lou Moretto of the City of York at 394-2607 or Mr. B. Milne of the City of Toronto at 392-7182.

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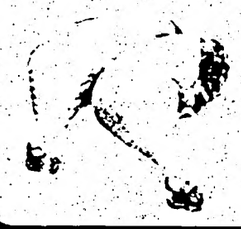

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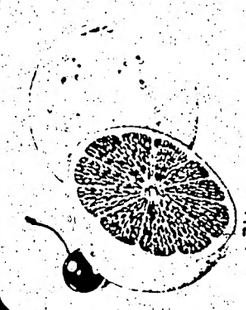

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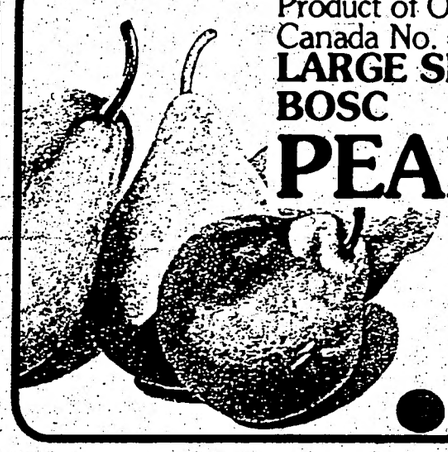

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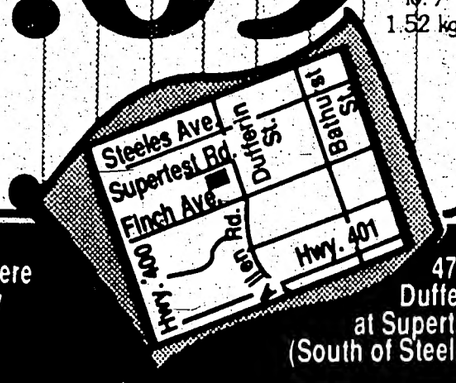

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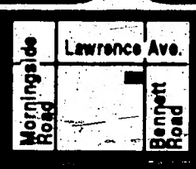

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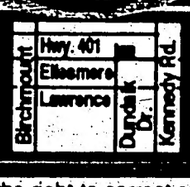

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Organizations and People

Koschitzky urges a fight against indifference

Expert says Jews still face physical, spiritual perils

By
ANCIL KASHETSKY

TORONTO —

Forty-five years after the Holocaust, some Jewish communities today still face physical and spiritual perils, says Julia Koschitzky, chairman, Community Development, Toronto Jewish Congress.

In her recent discussion at the Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue, Koschitzky said Jews here and in the rest of the free world have a responsibility to help their brethren in Syria, Iraq, Ethiopia and Russia.

She cautioned the gathering of the synagogue's sisterhood not to be indifferent. Syrian Jews in particular, she said, are in great danger.

"The Jewish community there depends on religion and hope. Families are struggling to teach children Jewish traditions. They look to us for help."

In Iran, Koschitzky said, 20,000 Jews "live in spiritual and physical danger." Since the fragile Iran-Iraq ceasefire, some have been able to leave, however, she noted.

Nor is the aliyah of Jews from Ethiopia over, Koschitzky said, adding that the recent absorption of Jews in Israel during Operation Moses was costly. Although as many as three social workers may assist one person, she said, "It was a moving experience to see how these people have adapted to modern Israeli life."

While the greatest responsibility still falls in the lap of Israel, "It is also our challenge, for we made a vow to help Israel, for Israel vowed to protect Jews and provide them with a centre of Jewish life."

Declaring the intifada, inflation and unemployment as formidable burdens for Israel, Koschitzky said Israel nevertheless has risen to challenges in the past. "This is amazing since Israel has had no time to grow up. With five wars in 40 years, it has gone from childhood to maturity without an adolescence."

She also said Russian Jewry remains high on the Jewish agenda. Even if half a million Jews leave, there will always be a nucleus of Jews there, she noted. "The Jews of Russia are a reservoir to sustain our small remnant of Jewish people."

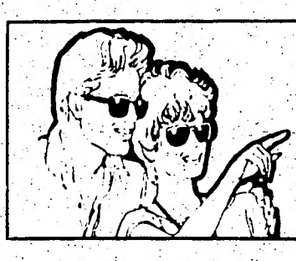
Reminding the gathering that Israel cannot compete with the alluring attractions of the West, Koschitsky said the Toronto community faces the challenge of absorbing 1,000 Russian Jews in the near future.

"The last wave ended in a great deal of assimilation, because once they lose the stigma of being called Jews in Russia, they have little with which to identify themselves as being Jewish."

Mindful of the vicissitudes of Jewish history, she said, "there is no guarantee that the current liberalization in Russia will go on forever. The fear is that we never know when the gates will close."

To create more of a Jewish identity for the Russian Jews, she appealed to the sisterhood to provide more volunteers. She proposed a drop-in centre at the JCC "where Russian Jews could come in and ask questions about practical things locals take for granted." She said there was also a need for symposiums to teach Jewish traditions.

Said Koschitzky: "Eli Wiesel said indifference is our greatest crime. The lesson of Jewish history is that ordinary people like me and you can make a difference."



"Look dear- they have it in the CJN classifieds."

Hospital obtains three-year grant to research causes of osteoporosis

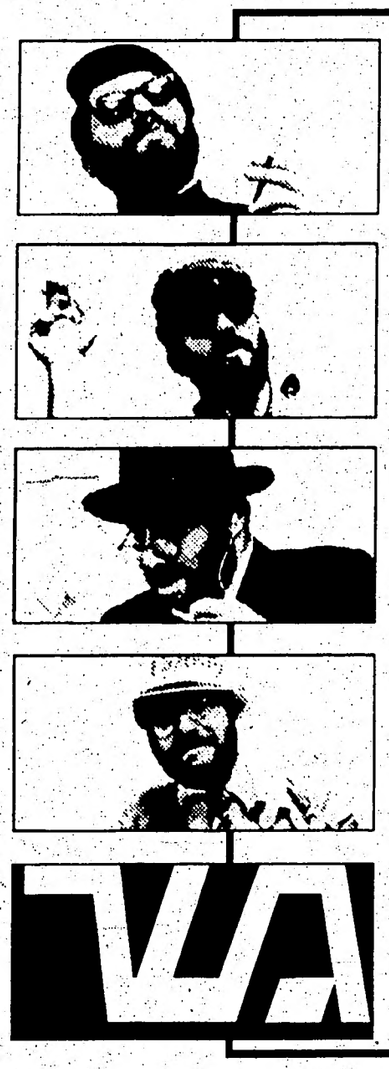
TORONTO —

The Mount Sinai Hospital Research Institute has received a three-year grant for a research program to investigate the causes of osteoporosis and to evaluate the benefits of specific drug treatments for it.

The grant, from Ciba-Geigy Canada Ltd., is for one million dollars.

Osteoporosis, which results in bone destruction, and may contribute to spinal, rib or hip fractures, is the most prevalent skeletal disease affecting both men and women, said a spokesman for the institute.

The program on osteoporosis is being led by Dr. Kenneth Pritzker, chief pathologist, Mount Sinai Hospital and head of the Connective Tissue Research Group at the Mount Sinai Hospital Research Institute.



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Organizations and People

What's New

By
MIRIAM HERMAN

APPEAL FOR SOLDIERS

Pictured above at the Beth Jacob V'Anshe Drildz Synagogue's successful annual appeal on behalf of the Soldiers of Israel for the Rosh Hashanah gift to the soldiers are (from left) Joseph Rosenthal, treasurer; Rabbi Moses Burak, Sam Faivish, fund chairman, and Joseph Joseph, synagogue president. [Graphic Artists photo].

ABOUT PICTURES

When submitting pictures for the What's New and About People columns, please give full names of all persons plus organization affiliation and designate location in picture — left to right, back row, front row.

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Thursday, Oct. 26

THURSDAYS IN THORNHILL

The Ohr Somayach/JEP North series, Thursdays in Thornhill, continues on Thursday, Oct. 26, with The Torah's Guide to Ethical Living with **Rabbi Dovid Sapirman**.

The time is 8:30-10 p.m. at Ohr Somayach/JEP North, 613 Clark Ave., Thornhill (entrance off York Hill Cres.). For information, call 886-5730.

BETH TORAH SISTERHOOD

Beth Torah Sisterhood is holding a general meeting on Thursday, Oct. 26, at 8:30 p.m., when nurse **Patricia Perry**, director of Eating Disorders Clinic Inc., will discuss Controlling Your Weight Through Sensible Eating.

The charge is $3 members, $5 non-members. Refreshments will be served.

Friday, Oct. 27

SINGLES ONEG SHABBAT

Adath Israel Singles Congregation Oneg Shabbat on Friday, Oct. 27, is an opportunity to make new friends. The service will be followed by a stimulating speaker and a kiddish.

WEIZMANN MEET

Seen at the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute Toronto Chapter annual meeting held recently at the Park Plaza Hotel are Dr. Harvey Coopersmith (left) and Tom Beck. [Abbey Newman photo]

It takes place at 8 p.m. sharp at the synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave. (Bathurst and Wilson).

The group is being led by **Rabbi Sheldon Korn**. For more information, call the synagogue office at 635-5340.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

Concert pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** will perform at Lincoln Place Nursing Home, 429 Walmer Rd., on Friday, Oct. 27, from 2-3 p.m. in a musical happy hour and birthday celebration. The program will feature popular music.

Saturday, Oct. 28

HONORING NEW MEMBERS

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St., is honoring its many new members at a special kiddish luncheon following Shabbat services on Saturday, Oct. 28.

For further information, call the synagogue office at 787-1631.

Sunday, Oct. 29

TORAH EDUCATION SERIES

Mizrachi of Toronto's Torah Education series, Halachic Man Confronts Modern Society (inspired by **Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik**), continues on Sunday, Oct. 29, with **Rabbi Hershel Schachter**, rosh kollel, Yeshiva University, who will discuss Rabbinic Authority: The Nature of Rabbinic Enactment.

The time is 8 p.m. at B'nai Torah Synagogue, 465 Patricia Ave.

Men and women are welcome to this free Torah lecture. **Rabbi David Aronson** is education chairman. **Jack Kahn** is Toronto Mizrachi president.

DEDICATION OF CEMETERY MARKER

Darchei Noam, the only Reconstructionist synagogue in Toronto, invites the community to attend the official dedication ceremony of the congregation's cemetery marker on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 12:30 p.m.

The Darchei Noam Cemetery is located in the Pardes Shalom Cemetery on north Dufferin St. in the Town of Vaughan. This will be an excellent opportunity to introduce children to the environment of a cemetery at a time when it is devoid of sorrow and stress.

For further information, contact **Murray Winkler** at 469-9778 (evenings).

A FASHION FANTASIA

Adath Israel Sisterhood's annual Fashion Fantasia and Tea, with furs and fashions by Holt Renfrew, is set for Sunday, Oct. 29, at the synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave.

The fashion show is at 2 p.m. with tea time following. Admission is $25 per person.

The Sisterhood Gift Shop will be open for your convenience.

BAZAAR SUNDAY

The 61st annual Na'amat Pioneer Women's Bazaar Sunday is once again expected to draw over 20,000 excited shoppers. This year's bazaar is being held on Sunday, Oct. 29, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the International Centre, 6900 Airport Rd., Mississauga.

Once again, the door prize is a car, and the mammoth auction, running all day, has more than 600 items. For serious bargain hunters, over 125 mini boutiques will be offering toys, books, gifts, clothing, groceries. For extra diversions, there is a Monte Carlo, a beer garden, and of course wonderful food.

Admission is still only $2 and includes a chance at the door prize. Children under 12 are admitted free, and after 3 p.m. seniors are also admitted free.

OSTROVTZER DINNER DANCE

The Ostrovtzer Independent Mutual Benefit Society will be celebrating its 65th anniversary with a dinner dance at Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Synagogue, 55 Yeomans Rd., on Sunday, Oct. 29.

The Society, which held its first meeting on Oct. 24, 1924, and received its charter on Aug. 13, 1925, now has a membership of 175.

Head table guest speaker at the dinner will be **Stephen Speisman**, director, Toronto Jewish Congress Archives.

For more information, call **Joel Snider** at 783-2445 or **Al Speisman** at 785-5688.

YIDDISH PROGRAM

As part of the 13th annual Jewish Book Fair, **Hershel Polianker**, renowned Yiddish writer and editor from the Soviet Union, will speak on Perspectives for Jewish Culture in the Soviet Union Under Glasnost.

The lecture, sponsored by Committee for Yiddish, Toronto Jewish Congress, Yiddish Culture Council and Label Basman Scholarship Fund, takes place on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 1:30 p.m. at the Leah Posluns Theatre.

Admission is $4. Tickets are available at the Leah Posluns Theatre. For resrvations, call **Sylvia Lustgarten**, secretary, Committee for Yiddish, at 635-2883, ext. 155.

CONGREGATION HABONIM

Congregation Habonim, 55 Glen Park Ave. (Bathurst and Glencairn) welcomes you to the first of its cultural series of the new season on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 2:30 p.m. Guest speaker **Selma Sage's** topic will be Men for All Seasons — Joseph, Moses and David.

Admission of $1.50 members, $2 non-members, includes refreshments.

FIT FOR LIFE HEALTH FAIR

Fit for Life Health Fair, a fun-filled and educational event with workshops, speakers, demonstrations, books and food, takes place Sunday, Oct. 29, from 10 a.m. (doors open 9:15) to 5:30 p.m. at Castle Frank High School, 711 Bloor St. E.

The Health Fair is sponsored by The Canadian Natural Hygiene Society, Toronto Chapter. For information, call 781-0359.

BOOK FAIR KIDS PROGRAM

A reminder that the Jewish Book Fair kids program on Sunday, Oct. 29, with children's recording artist **Doug Barr** takes place at 1:30 p.m.

ADATH SHOLOM SISTERHOOD

At the Adath Sholom Sisterhood general meeting on Sunday, Oct. 29, guest speaker **Ahavah Grieve** will be discussing Intimacy and Ecstacy.

The time is 10:30 a.m. at the synagogue, 864 Sheppard Ave. W. For information, call the synagogue office at 635-0131 or **Viki Rumack** at 783-3569.

MLAWA YISKOR EVENING

The annual Mlawa and vicinity yiskor evening will take place on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 7:30 p.m. at Workmen's Circle, 471 Lawrence Ave. W.

A new film, just completed in Israel, of Mlawa as the people of Mlawa used to know it, will be shown. There will also be recitations by **Debbie Wahl**. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome.

BROTHERHOOD MEETING

On Sunday, Oct. 29, the Holy BLossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club is featuring **Sol Littman**, Canadian representative of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre for Holocaust Studies, who will speak on The Attempt to Obliterate the Memory of Anne Frank.

Services are at 9 a.m. at the temple, 1950 Bathurst St., followed by breakfast at 9:30. Everyone is welcome.

GRAND SOCIETY

GRAND Society (Grandparents Requesting Access and Dignity) will be meeting on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 1:30 p.m. at 16 Spadina Rd. Guest speaker **Leonard Rubenstein** will discuss Mental Attitude.

The charge for non-members is $2. For information, call 469-5471 or 781-3343.

BAZAAR AND RUMMAGE SALE

Stashover-Slipia Sisterhood bazaar and rummage sale on Sunday, Oct. 29, will feature new and used clothing, household items, toys, books and baked goods.

The sale will run from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 11 Sultana Ave.

HELENA'S MAGICAL BASKET

Helena and her magical basket will bring a world of music, dance and fantasy to children of all ages on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 2 p.m. at Columbus Centre, 901 Lawrence Ave. W.

Admission is $4 and part of the proceeds from the sale of cassettes featuring Helena and her magical basket will go to UNICEF.

Monday, Oct. 30

MANAGING DIFFICULT EMOTIONS

Managing Difficult Emotions (anxiety, envy, aging, stress) is the topic of the talk **Berte Rubin**, counsellor, consultant and lecturer, will be giving on Monday, Oct. 30, at 9 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave.

This special program is sponsored by B'nai Brith Women's Council of Toronto. Admission is $2 and refreshments will be served.

Tuesday, Oct. 31

INSTITUTE OF JEWISH STUDIES

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation's fall Institute of Jewish Studies with **Rabbi Moshe Stern** continues on Tuesday, Oct. 31, with Halachic View of the Non-Jew.

The lecture, open to the entire community, is at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 3600 Bathurst St.

A DAY ON TOUCH

A Day on Touch, the third in a series of free public seminars on the senses and the aging process, sponsored by the Health and Wellbeing Subcommittee of the Toronto Mayor's Committee on Aging, will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 31, at Metro Central YMCA, 20 Grosvenor St.

Registration will be at the door beginning at 9:30 a.m. The seminar will run from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Guest speakers will include **Dr. Linda Rapson**, Acupuncture Foundation of Canada; **Mary Simpson**, Therapeutic Touch Network; **Etta Ginsberg-McEwan**, Baycrest Hospital, and **Lorraine Bousquet**, certified reflexologist.

Wednesday, Nov. 1

SISTERHOOD FUNDRAISER

The Sisterhood of Shaareh Haim Synagogue is holding a fundraising boutique sale on Wednesday, Nov. 1, from 8-10 p.m. at Elgin Barrow Arena (Richmond Room), 43 Church St., Richmond Hill.

This sale is being held as part of the Sisterhood's contribution to the synagogue building presently under construction.

Admission is $5. Light refreshments will be served and there will be door prizes. For information, call the synagogue office at 884-3353.

JEWS OF TORONTO 1900-1940

The Jews of Toronto 1900-1940 is the subject of the illustrated slide lecture **Stephen Speisman**, director, Toronto Jewish Congress Archives, will be presenting on Wednesday, Nov. 1, from 7-9 p.m. at the Cecil Community Centre, 58 Cecil St. (College and Spadina area).

Refreshments and a question and answer period will follow. The lecture is sponsored by the Grange Historical Society.

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SINGLES GROUP

Co-founders of the new singles group at Beth Torah Synagogue, Games Jewish Singles Play, are Myrna Shinder (left) and Mollie Rothman. So far there have been four successful games evenings and the next one is set for Saturday, Nov. 4, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue. There are two age groups, Group A 26-40 and Group B 41-69. Other committee members are Rona Garson and Pearl Godfrey. [Rona Garson photo].

Organizations and People

What's New

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BOUTIQUE SALE

Beth Sholom Sisterhood's third annual boutique sale of fashions, jewelry and gift items and featuring an exciting designer boutique, is slated for Wednesday, Nov. 1, from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W.

Admission is $2. For information, call **Sandra Parl** at 783-1676.

Thursday, Nov. 2

A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT

Do you have concerns and questions with regard to the air quality in your home, workplace, school, or wherever it is that you spend much of your time?

Come out and get some answers to your questions at the Thursday, Nov. 2, meeting sponsored by the Allergy and Environmental Health Association of Ontario, when **Bruce Small** will be discussing Creating a Truly Healthy Environment! Are We Missing the Obvious?

The meeting takes place at 7:30 p.m. at Church of Ascension, 33 Overland Dr. Don Mills (Lawrence and Don Mills area).

And What Else Is New...

FOCUS ON ISRAEL

The Toronto Zionist Council reintroduces its successful community open forum on Sunday, Nov. 5. The theme of the 1989-90 lecture/discussion series is Focus On Israel. Each session will deal with an issue of concern, including the propaganda war against Israel. There will be qualified speakers, discussion, coffee and resource material.

Guest speaker at the first session will be **Paul Michaels**, director of communications for the Canada Israel Committee.

The time is 10 a.m. at the Zionist Centre, 788 Marlee Ave. Subsequent meetings will be held the first and third Sundays of each month. For information, phone 781-3571 or 781-8634.

SEMINAR ON HAPPINESS

Shaarei Shomayim Congregation adult education committee in conjunction with Aish HaTorah is presenting a 3-part seminar about Happiness — The Torah's Point of View that will deal with such questions as Is happiness an obligation? What is the definition of happiness? The seminar will be led by **Rabbi Mitch Mandel**, director of outreach of Aish HaTorah.

The dates are Nov. 7, 14 and 21, at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. Admission is free and the public is invited.

HOW BEAUTIFUL OUR HERITAGE

In honor of Sukkot, Vancouver's Jewish Festival of the Arts Society brought a unique fabric sukkah from Toronto for display in the sanctuary of Temple Sholom, 7190 Oak St. How Beautiful Our Heritage, created by the Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlework of Toronto, is to be on view through Oct. 29.

Forty-six members of the Guild, a group devoted to creating textile objects for Jewish ceremonies, volunteered 5,000 hours to the sukkah project.

KOSHER COOKING CLASSES

Take note of these fall cooking classes offered by the Kashruth Council of Toronto Jewish Congress—

Gourmet Cooking and Entertaining for Singles (V5) on Tuesday, Oct. 24 ($15 per person); Gourmet Cooking Made Easy (V2) on Tuesday, Oct. 31 ($15 per person); Dairy Gourmet (V6), a new course, on Tuesday, Nov. 7 ($15 per person), and finally, a 2-class series (V4) on Tuesdays, Nov. 14 and 21 devoted to working with yeast and pie pastry dough ($25 per person for 2 sessions).

The classes, coordinated by **Esther Schwartz**, kosher food consultant of the Kashruth Council, are given by **Vivian Anhang**, a teacher and graduate home economist, assisted by **Judy Hecht**.

Classes are held at 8 p.m. at Shaarei Tefillah Congregation, 3600 Bathurst St.

For information and registration details, call 635-9550.

VENDORS FOR GIFT BOUTIQUE

Leora Chapter of B'nai Brith Women seeks vendors with unique gift items for its holiday gift boutique sale to be held Sunday, Dec. 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the new Dufferin Clark Community Centre in Thornhill.

If you are interested, call **Judy** at 731-4519.

PHILOSOPHER OF REVELATION

This month an international congress of Jewish and Christian scholars met in Kiel, West Germany, for four days of lectures and discussions on the life and thought of 19th century philosopher of religion **S.L. Steinheim** in honor of his 200th birthday.

In the U.S., Steinheim's centennial will be marked by the publication of the first English translation of his major work, Revelation According to the Doctrine of Judaism.

The book is entitled Philosopher of Revelation: The Life and Thought of S.L. Steinheim, published by the Jewish Publication Society in Philadelphia with English translation by **Joshua Haberman**, the last Austrian Jew to enroll for rabbinic training in Vienna's Israelite Theological Institute, who, following his escape from Austria, became spiritual leader of Washington Hebrew Congregation, Washington, D.C.

For further information, contact Rabbi Haberman at (202) 362-7100 in Washington.

NEW HEBREW DAY SCHOOL

A new and exciting day school is being planned for the heart of Thornhill with a potential opening in the late fall or early 1990.

The school is sponsored by Am Echad Congregation and will accommodate a significant number of preschool classrooms open to the community at large in addition to an auxiliary day-care facility.

Families registering now at the pre-licensing stage will be entitled to a 50% discount off the regular tuition as part of the school's hope to achieve classroom quorums as soon as possible. The early registration special is limited to the first 20 students. Call 948-6604.

CHRY-FM FUNDRAISING A SUCCESS

CHRY-FM, North York's non-profit community radio station broadcasting from York University campus, reports that its On-Air Fundraising 89 has been a complete success. The campaign, which ran Sept. 13-24, resulted in over $34,500 in pledges, far exceeding the $25,000 targeted for the campaign. The funds, as collected, will be used to expand CHRY's programming and outreach, making the station even more responsive to community needs.

CHRY can be found at 105.5 on the FM dial. It is carried on Rogers Cable 107.9 FM, Classicomm 101.5 FM and Graham 92.7 FM.

JSU/HILLEL U OF T

Here's a list of upcoming events scheduled by Jewish Students' Union/Hillel of the University of Toronto—

Friday, Oct. 27 — Jewish Basics (Philosophy and Practice) at 11 a.m. at JSU/Hillel House, 604 Spadina Ave.

Friday, Oct. 27- Sunday, Oct.29 — JSU/Hillel and Jewish Student Federation fall retreat at Camp Reena in Orangeville.

Sunday, Oct. 29 — Grub and a flick at JSU/Hillel House at 6 p.m. Watch Cousins with **Ted Danson** and **Isabella Rossalini** along with a pizza dinner. RSVP by Friday, Oct. 27. Cost is $2 with discount card, $3 without.

Monday, Oct. 30 — Mind Games 89 begins with a lecture on The Dangers of Involvement by **Mike Kropveld**, director of Hillel Cult Project in Montreal, together with an ex-member at 4 p.m. at University College, Room 144...Also at 4 p.m., **Bob Fellows**, a magician and mentalist from Los Angeles, will perform a 15-minute preview of his Magic and Mind Control demonstration in the Sidney Smith lobby.

Tuesday, Oct. 31 — As part of Mind Games 89, Bob Fellows will give a demonstration/lecture at noon in the Sidney Smith lobby...Floorhockey continues at 9 p.m. at Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y.

Wednesday, Nov. 1 — Mind Games 89 continues with a lecture on Ritual Abuse and Satanism by **Robert Tucker**, director of the Council in Mind Abuse (COMA) in Toronto at 4 p.m. in New College, Room 1017.

Thursday, Nov. 2 — Mind Games 89 concludes with a screening of the film Ticket to Heaven at 4 p.m. at University College Media Room, Room 179...Advanced Talmud at 4 p.m. at JSU/Hillel House...Tehila Choir at 8 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

B. BOROCHOV BRANCH 124-FARBAND

B. Borochov Branch 124-Farband invites all members, their families and friends to the annual banquet to be held this year on Sunday, Nov. 5, at noon at the Borochov Centre, 272 Codsell Ave. The guest speaker will be **Judge Philip Givens**, former mayor of Toronto, whose topic will be The State of Jewish Psyche.

Judge Philip Givens

The Branch is taking advantage of the occasion to honor four of its chaverim for outstanding devotion to the activities of the Branch and to Israel. Chaverim **Adam Altenberg, Judge Philip Band, Harry Berkin** and **Max Mannett** have contributed much to the success of the Borochov Branch. Their work, dedication and devotion have made the Branch the strong unit that it is today. The Branch is dedicating an Amal Scholarship in the name of each of these men.

For reservations, call **Max Mannett** at 248-8191 or **Joe Erlich** at 636-4839.

NCSY SHABBATON

The National Conference of Synagogue Youth (NCSY) will be hosting a senior regional Shabbaton Nov. 10-12 at Toronto's Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. All Jewish youngsters in Ontario and Quebec, grades 9-13, are welcome to attend.

The Shabbaton promises to be an exciting event for youngsters and an opportunity to meet many new friends from throughout the region. A talented staff of advisors and leaders have put together a program tailored to the specific needs of this age group, A community traditional Shabbat experience, good food, music, sports activities are just a few of the events awaiting the participants.

For further information, contact **Ralph Tammam** at the NCSY office at (416) 782-4426.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

The Canadian Diabetes Association, Metro Toronto Chapter, requires volunteers for residential canvass during its November annual appeal.

If you can help, contact area coordinators **Gerry Gordon** (Toronto), **Ruth Schwartz** (Scarborough), **Shawn Laari** (North York) or **Susan Ginsberg** (Etobicoke) at 488-8881.

SELF-HELP WEEK

A fair to celebrate Metro's second annual Self-Help Week is taking place Nov. 3-4 at Fairview Mall, Don Mills and Sheppard.

The fair is sponsored by the Self-Help Clearinghouse of Metropolitan Toronto and offers the opportunity to meet representatives from dozens of mutual aid groups — addictions, compulsions, bereavements, disabilities, health concerns, parenting problems.

If you can't find the group you need, Self-Help Clearinghouse will help you start one. It has listings and information on the more than 200 self-help groups and organizations in Metro Toronto.

For information, call 487-4355.

NEW NAMING CERTIFICATE

A colorful new baby naming certificate by internationally known artist and calligrapher **Neil Y. Yerman** is now available from the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Two versions, one for a boy and one for a girl, have been published.

The certificate features a playful Noah's Ark theme and brief texts from Deuteronomy and Pirke Avot. Spaces for the child's Hebrew and English names and for a transliteration of the child's Hebrew name are incorporated into the document.

For information, contact **Sharyn Ruff** at the UAHC office in New York at (212) 249-0100. The address is 838 Park Ave., New York, NY, 10021.

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SCHOLARSHIP

Torontonian Stuart Swartz (right) has received the first Toronto Chapter of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem Alumni Scholarship. A graduate of CHAT and a political science major at York University, Swartz is currently in Jerusalem on the Hebrew University's one year program at its Rothberg School for Overseas Students. He is seen here in Jerusalem with Tova Glass, national academic affairs coordinator of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University.

BONDS BRUNCH

Receiving an award at the recent Keltzer Society State of Israel Bond brunch are (from left) Phil Platt, vice-president; Morris Lazabnick, Israel Bond chairman; Louise Cornblum, guest speaker; Percy Goodman, president, and Max Rosenberg, vice-president.

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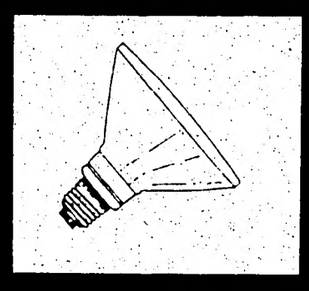

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Organizations and People

What's New

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ABLE/DISABLED ARTS CENTRE

The Able/Disabled Creative Arts Centre is featuring Progression, a collection of recent watercolors, acrylics and oil paintings depicting the landscape and people of the Maritimes by native Newfoundlander **Lindsay Collins**.

The show runs to Nov. 18. The arts centre, which recognizes and develops the creative talents of people with disabilities, is located at 49 McCaul St. (Village by the Grange).

SINGLES TRIP TO ISRAEL

Metro Toronto Singles, a Jewish singles organization, and P.F. Travel are sponsoring a singles trip to Israel March 22-April 5. This two week trip will bring together singles from the United States, Canada, England, France and South Africa.

The itinerary includes tours, evening parties, Friday Oneg Shabbat, a Massada overnight, as well as the opportunity to meet and mingle with Israeli singles.

The cost is $2,200 Canadian and includes air fare, first class hotels, all breakfasts, tours, parties and dinners. Space is limited, so call P.F. Travel at 638-5560 and ask for **Stanley, Tona** or **Linda** or Metro Toronto Singles at 222-7111.

at the jcc

The Jewish Community Centre Bloor Y concert for kids on Sunday, Oct. 29, The Adventures of Hot Dog, is a live puppet show for children ages 2-8, presented by Golden Goose Productions (founded by **Sandra Gies**). There will be two shows, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Admission is $6. Call 924-6211 to register.

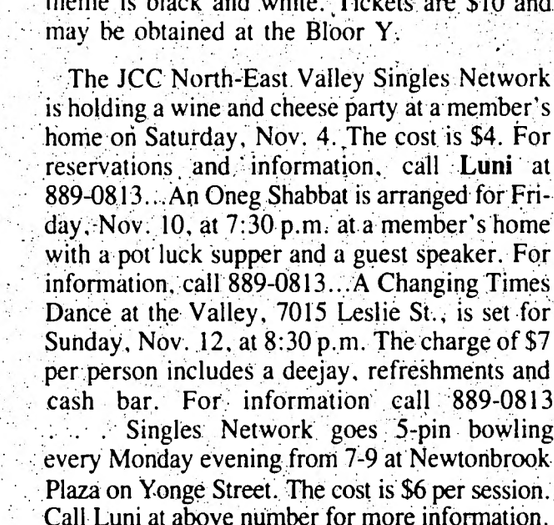
A singles party with the live music of the Jack Gelbloom Band, dancing, refreshments and cash bar, is set for Sunday, Nov. 5, from 8 p.m. to midnight at the Bloor Y, 750 Spadina Ave. The theme is black and white. Tickets are $10 and may be obtained at the Bloor Y.

The JCC North-East Valley Singles Network is holding a wine and cheese party at a member's home on Saturday, Nov. 4. The cost is $4. For reservations and information, call **Luni** at 889-0813...An Oneg Shabbat is arranged for Friday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m. at a member's home with a pot luck supper and a guest speaker. For information, call 889-0813...A Changing Times Dance at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St., is set for Sunday, Nov. 12, at 8:30 p.m. The charge of $7 per person includes a deejay, refreshments and cash bar. For information call 889-0813 . . . Singles Network goes 5-pin bowling every Monday evening from 7-9 at Newtonbrook Plaza on Yonge Street. The cost is $6 per session. Call Luni at above number for more information.

Call the JCC Singles Hotline at 889-5101 for 24-hour taped information of events at the JCC and around the city.

for seniors

The next meeting of the **Beth Tikvah Friendship Group 55 Plus** will take place Sunday, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m. in the assembly hall of the synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. There will be entertainment by **Ella** and **Lisa** and refreshments will be served. Admission is $2 per person.



BORINS

Jerry Borins on the mission visiting Boys Town Jerusalem pauses at the plaque of the Precision Technology Department named for his friends Fay and Ben Winbaum. In this section, as well as in the Sid and Annette Bearg Department of Precision Mechanics, visitors saw essential parts made for the Israel Air Force and for the recently launched satellite Ofek I.

Every other Sunday at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave., widows and widowers 55 years of age and over meet in separate support groups to help each other deal with mourning and adjust to loss. The meetings provide a supportive environment where group members can make new friends and share experiences. The next meeting date is Sunday, Oct. 29. **The Self-Help Widows Group** meets from 1-2:30 p.m. in the centre's library with group coordinator **Toby Warsh**. **The Self-Help Widowers Program** meets from 10:30 a.m. to noon in the library with group coordinator **Alan Steinberg**. For more information, call **Gitit Gilran** at 789-5131, ext. 2271.

Beth Sholom Seniors will be meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 31, at 7:30 p.m. at the synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W. The program will feature entertainment or a speaker plus refreshments. New members are welcome. The charge is $2 members, $3 non-members. For information, call **Eve Donsky**, vice-president and publicity chairman, at 782-1068.

Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club, 470 Glencairn Ave., announces that ongoing weekly programs, free to members, are now in session—Tai Chi on Mondays from 10-11:30 a.m.; dancersize on Tuesdays and Thursdays; line dancing with **Ken Fennel** on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to noon...The opening musical program by **Ella Krylov** is set for Monday, Oct. 30, at 1 p.m. This program runs every second week. The charge is $1 members, $2 guests...Trips to Miami at Glatt kosher hotels are scheduled for Jan. 16 and Feb. 6. For information about all activities, contact **Lena** at 785-5773 or **Ruth** at 224-5923...Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Donations go to Lanaido Hospital and Orphanage in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

Earl Bales Seniors' Club ongoing activities include shuffleboard, Tai Chi, bridge, ballroom and line dancing, bingo, fitness, rummycube, ping pong and Saturday evening dances. For information, call 636-7856.

Canadian Israeli Club Aluma, for Israelis and Hebrew speaking persons 55 and over, meets every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30 at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call **Avner Meiri** at 486-2264 or **Oved Azuri** at 229-6990 or **Naftoli Trompeter** at 782-9864 or **Shelley Dunkelman** at 789-5131, ext. 2273.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club is holding a general meeting on Sunday, Oct. 29, at 1 p.m. at the synagogue, 100 Elder St. Come and spend an enjoyable afternoon. Everyone is welcome. The charge is $1 members, $2 visitors. For information, contact **Bess** at 783-3206.

Ongoing activities at the **Bloor Y Good Age Club**, 750 Spadina Ave., include knitting, bridge, current events discussions, fitness, music and drama. For information, call **Beverly Brock** at 924-6211...On Friday, Nov. 24, at 2 p.m. the group will attend a performance of the National Ballet of Canada's Giselle. Tickets are $12. To purchase a ticket, call 924-6211.

A Day on Touch, the third in a series of free public seminars on the senses and the aging process, sponsored by the Health and Wellbeing Subcommittee of the Toronto Mayor's Committee on Aging, will take place on Tuesday, Oct. 31, at Metro Central YMCA, 20 Grosvenor St. Registration at the door begins at 9:30 a.m. The seminar will run from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Come play cards and bingo and socialize with the **Club Chaverim** of the Jewish Community Centre North-East Valley branch on Monday afternoons. The group meets from noon to 4 p.m. at the Valley, 7015 Leslie St. For information, call **Luni** at 889-0813.

LZA Seniors Club announces that reservations for the winter trips to Miami are being taken on a stand by basis only...A combined LZA Seniors Club and Labor Zionist Alliance-Farband Yom Ha'atzmaut trip to Israel is planned for April 1990...Shuffleboard teams meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:30-9:30. For details, contact **Abraham Leibowitz**...The discussion group meets every Tuesday at 10 a.m. The topics are very interesting and current, led by people well versed in their subject...Regular daily activities of cards, games and chess continue with both hot and cold lunches served. For more information, call 633-8579.

The Seniors for Health Committee of the Canadian Natural Hygiene Society under the direction of **Gladys Aaron** have put together The Vegetarian Persuasion, a cookbook based on a no-sugar, no-salt, low fat, low cholesterol program. For information, call the Society at 781-0395.

At the **Wagman Centre**, 55 Ameer Ave...The Sunday program on Oct. 29 is bingo from 2-3 p.m. in the Assembly Room...On Tuesday, Oct. 31, the Wagman Centre Russian Choir, under the direction of **Ella Krylov**, will perform in the Assembly Room from 7:30-8:30 p.m. Soloists are **Pauline Elgart, Luba Mintz, Fanya Koffman, Arkadi Munitz, Dora Posluns** and **Jenny Melinikoff**. For information, call the centre at 789-5131, ext. 2267.

Sunshine Seniors 55 Plus invites you to a performance of **Neil Simon's** live comedy, Plaza Suite, at Deer Park Inn on Wednesday, Nov. 15. In addition to the play, the tour includes highway coach transportation and a full course sit down fish lunch. For information, call **Sylvia** at 730-0503.

Senior Sinais Golden Book is ongoing. Your donations for special occasions go to Kibbutz Yahal in Israel. Place your order with **Frances Malkin** at 226-3252 or **Ida Himmelstein** at 630-3862 between 7 and 9 p.m.

Young at Heart Seniors trip to Florida Feb. 1-March 6 includes all kinds of goodies and extras with accommodations (efficiency) at the Casablanca or Sherry Frontenac, air transportation, Blue Cross insurance and more. Partners are available. Also, trips of two, three or four months are available (a fifth month is free with the 4-month deal). Everyone is welcome. For more information, call **Helen** at 635-6343 or 462-0258 (days) or **Manny** at 633-7463 (evenings).

CENTRE FOR CREATIVE LIVING

The Bernard Betel Centre for Creative Living is located at 1003 Steeles Ave. W. The phone number is 225-2112.

La'Briyut Wellness Centre has several programs planned for the coming weeks—

Breast Self-Examination Teaching Clinic takes place Thursday, Nov. 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Public health nurses will be on hand to answer your questions and teach you how to examine yourself in total privacy. Make an appointment with **Sandra** at the Wellness desk or call 225-2112. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge.

Hearty Healthy Cooking, a 4-week cooking workshop aimed at reducing the risk of heart disease and stroke will be given by dietician/nutritionist **Paula Ruch** on Mondays, Nov. 6, 13, 20 and 27, from 2:30-3:30 p.m. Register with **Sandra** at the Wellness desk or call 225-2112.

Support Groups include—

A Trip Down Memory Lane, a memory sharing experience, runs on Wednesdays, Nov. 1, 15, 29, and Dec. 13, 27, from 10-11 a.m.

Spinch, a game that helps you learn what changes to expect as you grow older, and how to handle these changes, with public health nurse **Nancy Hall** takes place on Wednesdays, Nov. 8, 22, and Dec. 6, 20, from 10-11 a.m.

Seniors Coping With Grief, a new support group for seniors who have lost an adult child, meets on Thursdays, Oct. 26 through Dec. 7, from 10 a.m. to noon. If you would like to know more about this group, call **Shari Cherney** or **Suzanne Lando** at 225-2112.

The Sunday program on Oct. 29, features the movie, Crossing Delancy, at 2:30 p.m. The charge for non-members is $1.

For information about day trips and special programs, contact **Barbara Zigler** at 225-2112.

UIA LEADER VISITS

Keren Hayesod world chairman Shlomo Hillel (2nd from left) visited a number of Canadian Jewish communities on behalf of the United Israel Appeal of Canada. Keren Hayesod, headquartered in Jerusalem, is the World UIA. Hillel, former speaker of the Knesset, is seen here with Edmonton leaders (from left) Sheldon Maerov, Dena Gelfand and Howie Sniderman.

About People

ST. CATHARINES CELEBRATION

Recently members of St. Catharines' Congregation B'nai Israel gathered together at the synagogue for a testimonial dinner in honor of **Joseph and Rachel Ben David**, celebrating their 20th anniversary of service to the community.

Joseph served the congregation as ba'al korah, ba'al tefillah, ba'al kriah, mashgiach, Hebrew teacher, bar and bat mitzvah teacher and many other duties as required. Rachel also teaches in the Hebrew school and participates in all synagogue activities.

The announcement was made that Joseph is completing required studies to gain his smicha and designation as "rabbi" and would serve the congregation as its spiritual leader.

Attending the dinner and offering congratulations were **Marsha Cohen**, executive director, United Synagogue of America, and **Norit Glick**, supervisor of schools, Conservative movement.

BAYCREST APPOINTMENT

Moshe Greengarten, administrator of the Jewish Home for the Aged and Community Services at Baycrest Centre, recently announced the appointment of **Ray Hughes** to the position of assistant administrator of Baycrest Terrace and the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre.

Ray Hughes

Since 1970 Hughes has worked in many areas of the Centre as a social worker, social work supervisor and social work director. His broad knowledge of Baycrest Centre and its history allows Hughes to bring a Centre-wide perspective to important issues.

"By addressing issues, I hope to continue building on the excellence of care provided by our staff. I want to emphasize what we do right, and we do a lot right," says Hughes.

TO CHAIR AJVSP CONFERENCE

Sandy Wise has been appointed chairman of the biannual conference of the Association of Jewish Vocational Service Professionals (AJVSP). The theme of this year's conference, to be held Oct. 29-Nov. 1 in Montreal, is Pro-Active Approaches to Changes in Vocational Services.

Sandy Wise is a member of the AJVSP executive board and the group coordinator of the Career Counselling Centre at Jewish Vocational Service in Toronto. She holds a graduate certificate in adult education and counselling from the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education.

AJVSP has a membership of more than 300 practitioners. The international conference is expected to attract 150 professionals from more than two dozen JVS agencies in North America. Conference sessions will deal with issues in career counselling, educational counselling, job placement and rehabilitation.

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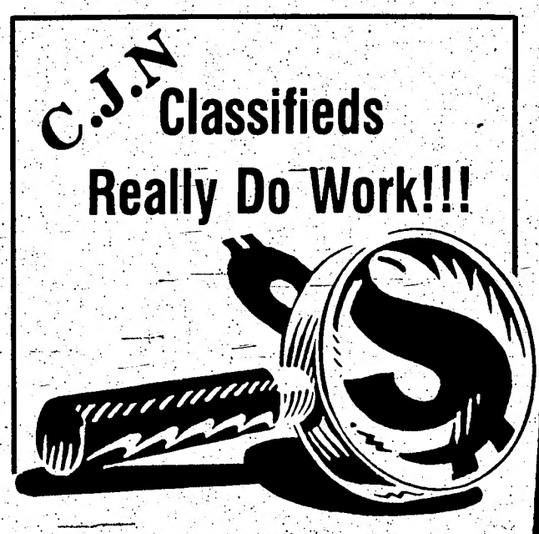

Organizations and People

Support shown through purchase of $1 million-note by synagogue

TORONTO —

The Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue has purchased a $1 million dollar Note for State of Israel Bonds for the past 13 years, it was disclosed at a reception celebrating its 35th anniversary and honoring its past presidents recently.

"The synagogue's record of purchasing these notes is unsurpassed in North America," said Fred Stoll, a past president and the current Israel Bond co-chairman. "With a built-in five year redemption privilege, the synagogue is able to continuously hold five notes at a time."

The reception, attended by 200 invited guests, was co-sponsored by the State of Israel Bonds organization.

For the coming year, the synagogue has adopted the theme A Year of Rededication. All past presidents were given a scroll of honor to commemorate the 35th anniversary.

"State of Israel Bonds should not only be purchased in an effort to show support for Israel, but should also be used in the form of a charitable donation when possible," said Stoll. "Many charitable organizations including this synagogue, are ready to receive Bonds for their fund raising drives."

At the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Tribute to Past Presidents, are (from left) Fred Stoll, Israel Bond co-chairman; Rabbi Joseph Kelman, spiritual leader of the congregation, Wolf Blitzer, guest speaker; Marvin Fox, president of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue; and Aubie Himmel, Israel Bond co-chairman.

Rabbi Burak will chair Kollel Esh Dat's dinner

TORONTO —

The annual dinner for Kollel Esh Dat, a centre for post-graduate learning in Tel Aviv, is to be held Wednesday, Nov. 1 at Beth Jacob V'Anshe Drildz Synagogue, 147 Overbrook Pl., Downsview.

A group of 18 young Israelis, most in their 20s, study full time at Kollel Esh Dat, devoting a portion of their time to the publishing and editing of writings by the Ozrover rebbe of Poland, Rabbi Moishe Yechiel Halevi Epstein. The Ozrover rebbe, who also lived in New York and Tel Aviv, left 23 volumes of his work in addition to copious unpublished material when he died 18 years ago.

The head of the Kollel is Rabbi Tanchum Becker, son-in-law of Rabbi Moses J. Burak, of Toronto, who will chair the dinner.

The honorees at this year's annual affair are Joseph Sorger and Shabsi (Sam) Smith, two businessmen who are being recognized for their generosity to the Kollel and to other charitable causes in the Toronto Jewish community.

singles events

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Atideynu Lodge (20's & 30's) is going horseback riding on Sunday, October 29. Meet 10:30, 15 Hove St. Everyone is welcome. For information contact Debbie 398-6328.

Oneg Shabbat, Adath Israel Singles Congregation. Friday, October 27, at 8pm. Service, speaker: Nathan Garnick- laugh and learn with Sholem Aleichem. Refreshments. Come to make new friends. 37 Southbourne Ave. (Bathurst/ Wilson). Rabbi Sheldon Korn. 635-5340.

Lishar Productions Presents a **Hallowen Bash** at **Berlin ...A Nightclub**, 2335 Yonge St., on Sunday, October 29, at 7:30p.m. Tickets $8.00. Prizes for the best costumes. For more info call 783-6261.

Metro Toronto Singles Presents: Halloween Party at **Gotham City**, 81 Bloor East (Just East of Yonge). Parking across street under Hudson Bay Centre. **Sunday October 29**, 8:00pm. Costumes optional. $50 prize for most unusual or sexiest attire. $8.00. 222-7111.

Mayfair West Racquet Club - (Chesswood/Sheppard) is having its first singles party of the year. Saturday, October 28. The action begins at 7pm with a tennis round robin, with a dance following at 10pm. The cost for the tennis and dance is $18 for non-members and $15 for Mayfair members. The cost is $8 after 10pm for the dance. Reservations are a must for tennis. Call Marcia at 638-1010.

Don't Come as you are ...come in disguise! **L.A. invites** you to a **Halloween** Costume Party! at Empire Dance Bar, 488½ Yonge St. (N. of College). Friday, October 27, 9:00p.m., $8.00. Prize for best costume. Ari Huber 223-8145, Lew Pliamm 223-2225.

***GAMES JEWISH SINGLES PLAY**

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PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1

OFFICIAL OPENING PROGRAM

8:00 p.m.
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ANNE FRANK EXHIBIT-OPENING
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

10:00 a.m.
Temple Sinai
210 Wilson Ave.
North York

"SHOAH SURVIVORS: HISTORICAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL BACKGROUND OF ANTI-SEMITISM"
Dr. Norman Solkoff, Professor of Psychiatry, State University of New York.

2:30 p.m.
Associated Hebrew Day Schools
3630 Bathurst St.
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"OUR PRECIOUS LEGACY: REMEMBER THE CHILDREN"
Isaiah Kuperstein, U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, Washington, D.C.; Slide Presentation, "Remember the Children", an exhibit for children about the Holocaust from Washington, D.C.; an audiovisual presentation on the Children's Memorial at Yad Vashem; songs and music by Jenny Eisenstein; art, photo and book displays; suitable for children 8 and over.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

1:30 p.m.
Bernard Betel Centre
1003 Steeles Ave. W.
North York

"SONGS OF THE PRECIOUS LEGACY"
Jenny Eisenstein, singer; presentation of songs and biographies of the poets of the Holocaust.

8:00 p.m.
Temple Har Zion
7360 Bayview Ave.
Thornhill

"THE ALMOST MEETING: THE QUEST FOR THE HOLOCAUST IN CANADIAN-JEWISH FICTION"
Dr. Rachel Brenner, Professor, York University.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

8:00 p.m.
Beth Tikvah
3080 Bayview Ave.
North York

"THE HOLOCAUST AND THE VATICAN"
Professor Michael Marrus will discuss the issue of how the Vatican responded to the Nazi Holocaust, and whether the passage of time enables us to see this problem in a different perspective.

8:00 p.m.
St. Margaret's Church
222 Ridley Blvd.
North York

Film: "COURAGE TO CARE"
Film dealing with courageous individuals who knowingly risked their lives during the Holocaust to aid Jews. An interfaith panel discussion will follow.

8:30 p.m.
Beth Avraham Yoseph
613 Clarke Ave. W.
Thornhill

"POLAND THROUGH THE EYES OF TODAY'S YOUTH"
Ari Finkelstein and Jessica Wyman, students who travelled to Poland and Israel on the "March of the Living" trip, will recount their experiences.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

8:00 p.m.
Adath Israel
37 Southbourne Ave.
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"SURVIVAL UNDERGROUND"
Reflections by Izzy and Harry Goldlist, two young brothers who hid in the twilight world of rural Poland. Young people are welcome.

8:00 p.m.
Beth Emeth
Bais Yehuda
100 Elder St.
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"HOLOCAUST HEROISM IN SONG AND POETRY"
Presentation of Yiddish Music and Literature, with translation; Cantor Louis Danto; Charles Heller and the Zemer Chorale; readings by Vivian Reiss.

8:00 p.m.
Beth Sholom
1450 Eglinton Ave. W.
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"QUIET HEROES: CHRISTIANS RESCUING JEWS"
Dr. Andre Stein, psychotherapist and author of Broken Silence, will discuss the heroic stories of seven Dutch families who rescued Jews during the War.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

1:30 p.m.
Bernard Betel Centre
1003 Steeles Ave. W.
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"A VIEW FROM THE FOREST"
Faye Shulman-Partisan, Artist and Photographer; Photographs and Recollections.

8 p.m.
Shaarei Shomayim
470 Glencairn Ave.
North York

"OUT OF THE ASHES: SURVIVORS OF THE HOLOCAUST AND THE LIVES THEY MADE IN AMERICA"
Professor William Helmreich, Professor of Sociology & Judaic Studies, City College of New York, will discuss his research based on interviews with survivors in the United States and Canada.

8:00 p.m.
Shaar Shalom
2 Simonston Blvd.
Thornhill

"LITERATURE AND THE HOLOCAUST: THE AESTHETICS OF ATROCITIES"
Professor Diana Cooper-Clarke, York University.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

8:00 p.m.
Congregation Solel
2399 Folkway Drive
Mississauga

ONEG SHABBAT: "PERSONAL VISIT TO THE PAST"
Rabbi and Mrs. Lawrence Englander will present slides of their recent visit to concentration camps in Czechoslovakia and Poland, guided by a child survivor living in Poland.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

7:30 p.m.
Lipa Green Building
4600 Bathurst St.
North York

FILM: "AU REVOIR LES ENFANTS"
Autobiographical film by Louis Malle. Speaker following film.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13

8 p.m.
Holy Blossom Temple
1950 Bathurst St.
Toronto

"LESSONS FROM THE PAST, VISIONS FOR THE FUTURE"
Rabbi Awraham Soetendorp, Rabbi of the Liberal Jewish Communities of The Hague; Rotterdam and Amsterdam, will recount personal and historical events in Holland during the War and share his vision of a hopeful future for the Jewish people.

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For further information call Pnina Spetgang, Director, Holocaust Rememberance Committee, 635-2883.

Organizations and People

Brown and Granovsky are community activists

UJA team creates a family-like work environment

By
ESTHER MEHR

TORONTO —

The establishment three years ago of United Jewish Appeal's New Leadership Council was intended to attract and encourage the ongoing participation of the young men and women who will comprise the community's leadership of tomorrow.

The team of David Brown and Maxine Granovsky, NLC's current chairman, offer a picture of family continuity and commitment to the community of which they are a part, say those who have worked with them in UJA.

Maxine is the daughter of Phil Granovsky, whose many years as a high-profile leader on both the local and international Jewish scene, have made him one of the most respected public figures in the Jewish community.

Maxine dates her initial UJA involvement to five years ago, when she joined the Business & Professional Women's Network, which she co-chaired last year. She also serves as a representative on the Toronto Jewish Congress Council.

David Brown is also a second generation UJA supporter and worker. He is the son of Al G. Brown and brother of Golda Brown Krakowsky, both of whom have a longtime association with UJA and TJC. David and Golda are the "associates" of the life insurance firm of Al G. Brown & Associates.

David's community interests are far-ranging, from serving on the TJC executive, Project Renewal, Jewish Information Service, to a past chairmanship of the Leadership Development program and a current involvement with the TJC Endowment Fund.

The chairmen believe that the primary function of the NLC is to "serve as the cohesive element that brings all young divisions together for education, programming and fundraising."

A steering committee has been formed of people "who show leadership potential through their participation and performance with UJA and TJC," Brown and Granovsky added.

Programming and special events are a priority on the 1990 campaign agenda for the NLC. Among their activities so far have been the planning and organization for the Super Sunday community telethon under the joint leadership of Perla Arditti, Paul Litwack and Stan Tepner, and a fundraising dinner dance at Casa Loma on Oct. 12. That evening, chaired by Sheldon Disenhouse, Earl Rotman and Harold Wolkin, featured a 60s theme with the Lincolns providing the appropriate music and ambience of the times.

The first NLC Mission to Israel — Oct. 23 to 30 — was highlighted by a two-day stopover in Rome where the group met with emigres in transit from the Soviet Union.

Scheduled for Nov. 5 is a special presentation of "Anne Frank in the World," with keynote speaker Dr. Dewar MacCleod, educational director, Anne Frank Institute, New York City.

"The cross-leadership concept of the NLC, which transcends many divisions," said David Brown, "makes possible more interesting programming," because of the variety of ideas put forth and the greater number of people involved.

Service directory published

TORONTO —

The first listing of every Jewish service available in Ontario has been published by the Ontario Region of Canadian Jewish Congress.

From synagogues to senior clubs, from nursery schools to nursing homes, from kosher caterers to cultural organizations, the Ontario Jewish Resource Directory provides up-to-date descriptions of services and organizations in 30 Ontario cities and towns.

Among the listings in the 130-page directory are: communal and social agencies; synagogues; schools; camps; kosher services; choir and theatre groups; media outlets and Israeli-related activities. The reference guide also contains a 10-year calendar of Jewish holidays and a telephone index for all listed services and organizations.

Directory editor Edmond Y. Lipsitz, executive director of Congress (Ontario Region), believes many readers will be especially interested in the "Rites of Passage-Jewish Life Cycle" section. It deals with such topics as naming babies, mikavot (ritual baths), circumcision, Bar and Bat Mitzvahs, dating services and marriage and death.

The directory was put together following a recommendation from a Congress Task Force on Assimilation, Intermarriage and Jewish Identity. CJC Ontario Region chairman Eric W. Slavens says the publication "will serve to bolster our Jewish affinity and make obtaining Jewish services easier by listing the myriad available in this province."

The directory is "an excellent model for other groups to help unify and inform their communities," declared Lipsitz. "It will also aid governments and others to discover what Jewish communities offer in the way of organizations and services."

The publication was funded by the Ontario Ministry of Citizenship, the Berman Fund, Olympia & York, the Bill & Judith Rubinstein Charitable Foundation and the S. Sigler Family Charitable Foundation.

Copies of the directory can be obtained by picking them up at the CJC office at 4600 Bathurst St., fifth floor from 9 to 5 or by phoning 635-2883.

The guide will also be on sale at some Toronto bookstores and the Toronto Jewish Book Fair, Oct. 28-Nov. 5, at the Jewish Community Centre.

Borovoy to speak at annual lunch

HAMILTON —

Alan Borovoy, general counsel for the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, will be the guest speaker at the sixth annual Na'amat Celebrity Author's Luncheon on Wednesday, Nov. 1, at noon at the Hamilton YWCA, 75 McNab St. South.

Borovoy will discuss his most recent book, *When Freedoms Collide: The Case For Our Civil Liberties*, which was nominated for the Governor General's Award for non-fiction.

Borovoy is a native of Hamilton, whose father, Jack, ran a pharmacy on York Street, heart of the area where early Jewish immigrants to this city first congregated.

The Celebrity Author's Luncheon is Hamilton-area Na'amat's biggest fund-raising event of the year; proceeds will go to Na'amat projects in Israel.

Admission of $10 includes a box lunch and a chance to win a door prize. For tickets phone 628-4438.

David Brown and Maxine Granovsky, NLC chairmen, relax between UJA meetings at the Lipa Green Building.

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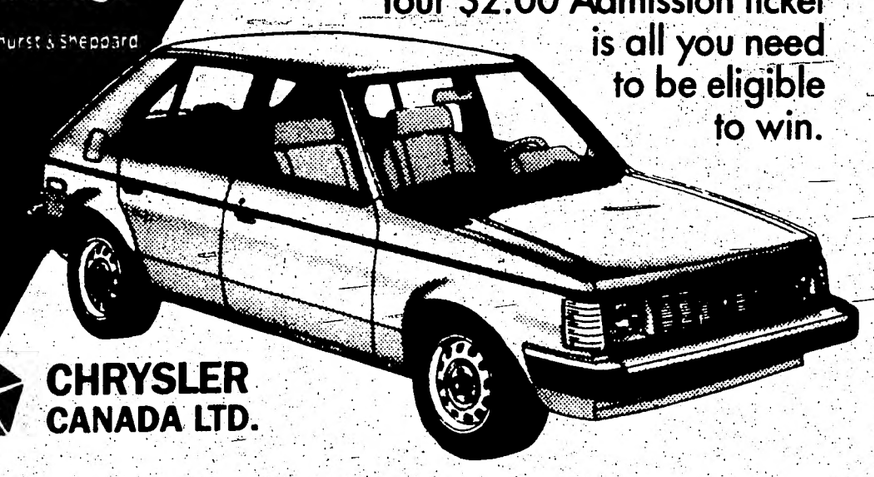

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Roselawn cemetery in need of repairs

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

When Frances Sherkin went to visit her mother's grave in the Pride of Israel section of the Roselawn Ave. cemetery, she was shocked to see a number of headstones overturned in what appeared to be an act of vandalism.

But the most recent incident of vandalism at the cemetery took place more than one year ago. The reasons for the apparent disarray at the cemetery are more prosaic than the acts of teenage hoodlums.

More than two years ago, the provincial ministry responsible for cemeteries issued a directive that loose headstones must be firmed up or pulled down entirely, said Charles Blum, president of the Roselawn-Lambton Cemetery Association, which administers the graveyard and takes care of ongoing maintenance.

The directive was issued after a visitor to a cemetery was injured by a falling headstone, he said.

As a result of the new regulation, a number of headstones were pulled down while those which had been knocked over by vandals were left where they lay.

Meanwhile, the Association, which came into existence last May after a contractor withdrew its maintenance services, is planning to re-erect the stones, but "a lot of work is to be done," Blum said.

Cost is one factor the Association must contend with. Families of the deceased are the ones primarily responsible for funding the work of maintaining and repairing the graves, but many families have lost track of their deceased relatives of two or three generations ago, Blum said. Others are not aware of the state of disrepair in the cemetery.

In the meantime, the Association will gradually re-erect the stones and provide other services, such as levelling sunken graves and implementing general improvements, Blum said.

To do so it collects contributions from the 24 organizations and congregations (such as Pride of Israel and the Toronto Independent Benevolent Association) which maintain sections in the cemetery.

Blum said the Roselawn cemetery will be improved, but the process "will take time."

Community veteran George Skulsky will be honored by Chavurat Tefila congregation.

Young Winnipeg shul to honor 93-year-old Jew

By
MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG —

One of Winnipeg's youngest synagogues — the Chavurat Tefila (Fellowship of Prayer) — is honoring George (Gur Aryeh) Skulsky, one of the Winnipeg Jewish community's oldest active members.

Skulsky will be the toast of the Chavurat Tefila's annual dinner, on Monday, Nov. 13 at the International Inn's Hollow Mug Restaurant.

The 93-year-old Skulsky came to Canada in 1913. He spent the next 30 years moving around Saskatchewan, clerking in different country stores. He joined his brother in the camera business in Winnipeg in 1944.

Age has hardly slowed Skulsky. He is the oldest member of the Winnipeg Jewish Community Council, and personally recruited almost all the candidates running for the positions open this year. (One-third of the 45 council seats are contested in elections every year.)

He also continues to write a weekly column in the Jewish Post and News he started nine years ago, commenting on community events and people and Jewish education.

In light of his interest in Jewish education, the Chavurat Tefila is establishing an annual scholarship fund in his name for a Joseph Wolinsky Collegiate student who is interested in continuing his or her studies in Israel. (Skulsky's granddaughters, Rona and Revital, are both studying in Israel this year.)

The Chavurat Tefila was formed in the early 1970s by a group seeking an alternative to the Orthodox congregations then in existence. The membership includes a large percentage of young families. On any given Shabbat morning, 60 to 70 per cent of the membership are in shul, one of the highest percentages of any shul in the city.

This will be the first year the congregation is holding its dinner outside the shul. The announcement notes that entertainment will be provided by the klezmer band Finjan, and that the catered meal will be kosher.

Funding computer centre in Hadera

A life-long Zionist, Skulsky was previously honored three years ago by AMAL, which is funding a computer centre in Hadera in his name, and by the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, Winnipeg chapter.

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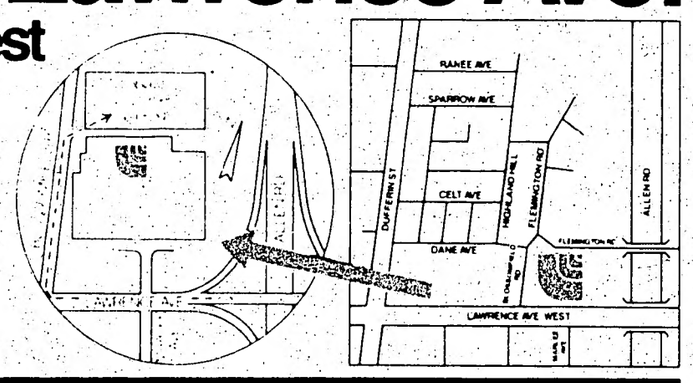

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Organizations and People

Religious classes designed to teach Christian beliefs

By
JOHN I. LASKIN

In the fall of 1983, when Andrea Millington was in Grade 2 at Forest Park School in St. Thomas, she began experiencing recurring nightmares that "the devil" was after her and that she was "burning in hell." Andrea's parents, who were of the Baha'i faith, discovered that the man who had been teaching their daughter about religion had been teaching her about hell and the devil. Andrea had been taught that if she was not a Christian she would "go to hell."

The Millingtons then learned that Andrea's religious instructor was not a regular teacher with the Elgin County Board of Education. In fact, he had no teaching qualifications at all. He claimed, however, to have a sincere interest in teaching children about Jesus. He had become a "born again Christian" in 1977 and had joined the Elgin County Bible Club. He was one of several lay volunteers of that club who were brought into the public schools in Elgin County to give religious instruction to the pupils. The instruction was based on a curriculum devoted exclusively to Christian dogma.

The Millingtons arranged a meeting with Andrea's religious instructor. They suggested that, since not all children in the class were Christian, consideration should be given to changing the course to provide the pupils with basic information about various religions, their traditions, their holidays and their beliefs. Andrea's teacher was unsympathetic and unreceptive to these suggestions. He said that if he was required to teach about other religions, he would resign.

The Millingtons considered, but rejected, the option of excluding Andrea from the classroom when religious instruction was being given. They feared that excluding Andrea would ostracize and embarrass her; Andrea was worried about being teased by her fellow students.

The Millingtons decided to take their concerns to the school principal. He was seemingly sympathetic, but when Andrea returned to school for Grade 3 she had the same religion teacher. When the same man returned to teach Andrea's Grade 4 religion class, the Millingtons decided to join the Constitutional challenge which had been launched by the Canadian Civil Liberties Association. Two other parents joined the Canadian Civil Liberties Association and the Millingtons in attacking both the provincial regulations prescribing religious instruction and the religious curriculum taught in Elgin County's public schools.

The case was originally heard by three judges of the Divisional Court of the Supreme Court of Ontario, an intermediate appellate court in the Province. By a two-to-one majority, the Divisional Court upheld the constitutionality of the regulations. The majority judgment of Mr. Justice Watt is noteworthy for its length, if nothing else, as it occupies 106 pages of the Law Reports. It is significant that when Watt delivered his reasons in March 1988, the Ontario Court of Appeal had not delivered its judgment in the Zylberberg case which struck down the regulations governing opening exercises in the public schools. It is fair to say that had he had the benefit of the Court of Appeal's reasons in Zylberberg, Mr. Justice Watt would not likely have written what he did in the Elgin County case.

By the time the case got to the Court of Appeal, Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai Brith had intervened in support of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association and the parents; while the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada and the Coalition for Religious Freedom in Education together with the Ecumenical Study Commission on Public Education were lined up behind the Ontario Government and the Elgin County Board of Education. As we discussed previously, the five-member panel of the Ontario Court of Appeal, after three days of argument, has reserved its judgment in the case.

The principal issue in the appeal is the constitutionality of the regulations under the Education Act which require that two periods per week of one-half hour each be devoted to religious education in Ontario's public schools. Do these provisions infringe the freedom of conscience and religion guaranteed by Section 2(a) of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms? The Supreme Court of Canada had held that both the purpose of a law and the effect of a law are relevant in determining constitutionality. If either the purpose or the effect of a particular law is inconsistent with a Charter guarantee, then the law may be invalid.

In the Elgin County appeal, much of the argument focused on the purpose of the regulations. Three propositions were generally accepted by all parties. First, it is the original purpose of the regulations at the time of their adoption that is relevant in determining constitutionality. Second, if the purpose of the regulations was, as the Canadian Civil Liberties Association, the parents and Canadian Jewish Congress contended, to indoctrinate children in Christian religious beliefs, then the regulations had an invalid purpose. Third, if the purpose of the regulations was, as the government and the School Board contended, to teach children about religion, then they had a valid object.

In short, indoctrination is invalid; a course in comparative religion is not.

The teaching of religious education in the public schools of Ontario received statutory recognition as early as 1843, but the present system has had a relatively short history, having been introduced by Premier Drew in 1944 when the Conservative Party returned to power in the Province.

Except for an amendment in 1978 which gave the democratically elected school boards the discretion to implement the regulations in a manner reflecting the needs of the local community, the regulations governing religious education in Ontario's public schools have continued in substantially the same form to the present day.

The 1969 Report of the Committee on Religious Education in the Public Schools in the Province of Ontario (the Mackay Report) was blunt as to what these regulations had accomplished. The Report stated: "the children of Ontario are exposed to Christian indoctrination throughout the elementary grades." The Mackay Report recommended the repeal of the regulations concerning religious education and the discontinuance of the curriculum that was being taught. It viewed the materials as a vehicle leading to religious commitment rather than true education. The Report commented that Christian doctrines were not only inculcated by the course of study, but the materials used implied that these truths were exclusive to Christianity.

Notwithstanding the strong findings of the Mackay Report, the government of Ontario chose not to follow its recommendation. What seems, however, to be an inescapable conclusion from the Report is that the original purpose of the religious education regulations was precisely Christian indoctrination and that the regulations were being used by many school boards including the board in Elgin County to accomplish that very purpose. If that conclusion is correct, then the regulations will not be able to withstand Charter scrutiny.

The Ontario Government and the Elgin County School Board tried to support their position on the appeal by reference both to the availability of an exemption from class for the pupil and to the provision in the regulations that "issues of controversial or sectarian nature shall be avoided." The exemption argument was dismissed by the Court of Appeal in Zylberberg.

Peer pressure is a powerful lever among young children. It puts a lie to the suggestion that the availability of an exemption for pupils promotes their religious freedom. There can be no religious freedom when the choice for pupils from religious minorities is to participate in the classes and compromise their personal religious beliefs or to make a religious statement and be branded as "different" by their classmates.

The Attorney General for Ontario argued that the provision in the regulations that controversial and sectarian issues be avoided indicated that the regulations were designed to teach about religion rather than indoctrinate. History suggests otherwise. It would appear that this provision was included so as to make sure the religious classes did not become embroiled in arguments over the differences between various sects of Christianity. The intention was to teach only those beliefs common to all Christian sects.

The Elgin County Board of Education did not seriously defend the curriculum that was in effect in its public schools when the court challenge was first launched. After the court proceedings had begun, the school board made several changes to its written curriculum including, for example, the introduction of some pages about Jewish holidays. The revised curriculum was put in evidence before the Court of Appeal. One must acknowledge that it is much improved over the one that was first taught to Andrea Millington. The question remains, however, whether this new curriculum still carries with it "the taint of indoctrination."

Judgment in the case is not expected for a few months.

Multicultural law camp helps youthful newcomers

By
MAURICE LUCOW

VICTORIA —
Gerry Weiner's multiculturalism department might be interested in copying a good idea from British Columbia.

A multicultural law camp program was held during July and August in Richmond and Burnaby (near Vancouver) to help teach youthful newcomers to this country about the justice system here.

According to B.C. Attorney General Bud Smith, a total of 83 youths between the ages of 13 and 18 took part in one of five two-week day camps on the law, organized by the Westcoast Society for Legal Literacy and the Law Courts Education Society. The program was funded by a $30,000 grant from the Ministry of the Attorney General.

It was the second year the camps were held (62 attended in Vancouver last year) and, says Smith, "These multicultural law camps are an important part of my ministry's legal education program. They provide an opportunity for youths from many ethnic backgrounds to become active, knowledgeable and responsible participants in our society."

Specifically, said Smith, the students received an orientation in the history, structure and operation of the Canadian justice system; visited the Vancouver police station, the police museum, the remand centre and Oakalla Prison, visited provincial and supreme courts to watch trials and other proceedings and meet a county court judge; met the special prosecutor on youth gangs, a police liaison officer and a victim's assistance program organizer; met with a race relations consultant and a human rights officer to discuss the sensitiveness and solutions to racial discrimination in communities and the schools.

The Attorney General also announced the creation of the Law Courts Education Society, a joint venture between the Attorney General's office and the judiciary to provide province-wide legal education. "This concept," said Smith, "is unique in Canada. It establishes the first-ever judicial-ministry partnerships to provide a wide range of justice-related information throughout the province."

The society will supply information to both senior and elementary schools, as well as to colleges and universities; to teachers, especially social studies teachers; and to new Canadians, especially those "who are trying to adapt to an unfamiliar culture and language."

Smith said that during the next few years the provincial government will provide more than $1 million to enable the society to carry out its program. The society's board of directors is drawn from the judiciary, the Ministry of the Attorney General, the B.C. branch of the Canadian Bar Association and the general community. President is Mr. Justice Martin Taylor, of the B.C. Appeal Court.

And one more announcement from the attorney general: evening and Saturday sittings of the Family Court and Small Claims Court will be tried out in Victoria and Surrey (near Vancouver). "Improved access to the courts is aimed at individuals who face financial hardships in attending weekday court sittings," said Smith.

Widowers self-help group lets men express feelings

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —
An older man dealing with the loss of his wife faces a myriad of emotions.

"Fright, helplessness, grief, loneliness, confusion, anger — these are all feelings the man suddenly experiences," says social worker Alan Steinberg.

He adds that men are often reluctant to seek help and so instead of learning to cope they get "deeper and deeper into trouble."

Steinberg, who leads a widowers self-help group for men over 55 at the Wagman Centre, says that men were not brought up to be open about their feelings. "Men are supposed to be strong and bounce right back on their feet. The sorry truth is they suffer as much or even more than women."

Steinberg says that women, in addition to being used to confiding in their families and friends, know how to keep house. "Many men in that generation have never cooked a meal or done a load of laundry — they're virtually helpless."

He adds that older widowers often suffer far more than younger men. "Younger men have jobs to get back to and have children at home. They must get on with their lives. Older retired men are suddenly left in an empty home with little to occupy their time."

Steinberg says the purpose of the self-help group is to get these men together and talk about how they feel. "Talking about their fright and loneliness is foreign to many of them but when they meet and realize they all feel the same way it becomes easy to confide in one another."

He says that "getting a lot of pent-up feelings out in the open is a tremendous step in the healing process."

Have common bond

He stresses that the group is not a therapy group. "It is a self-help group that I would like to see eventually led by a widower, with a professional there merely as a consultant."

He explains that in a therapy group people are taught to deal with their feelings by a qualified professional. "A self-help group is a group of people with a common bond, such as widowers, striving to help each other over a rough period."

Steinberg says that because the group is open-ended, the men can come or not come as they please. "A closed group is more structured. Men join at the beginning of a session and discuss certain topics each week."

He says the value of an open-ended group is that a man can join whenever he wants. "If a man is anxious to join we do not have to tell him to wait until the next season begins."

Steinberg notes that he defnitely sees progress in men who continue with the group. "Many men complain that they have not progressed at all since they've joined our group but I usually see signs, such as a man cooking himself a dinner or joining friends for a movie. These are little things that show he is learning to cope."

He says that it is important to realize that the grieving process is quite slow, sometimes taking up to two years. "This can be very frustrating for a 75-year-old man who has never lived alone and feels he is not capable of taking care of himself. Being able to talk to others in the same boat makes things a little easier. He is able to help them a little, they are able to help him a little and slowly things are better."

He says that he hopes that today younger men are learning to become aware of their feelings. "Older men often come from traditional families where the father is the strong figure who fears nothing and never cries. If younger men can learn to admit that they, too, have feelings then maybe when they need a shoulder to cry on they will not feel ashamed to seek help."

Canadian twinned with Ethiopian bar mitzvah boy

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

This Shabbat, when Lenny Landa steps to the Torah as a bar mitzvah, he'll recite an extra prayer for a boy his age, half a world away.

The prayer will ask G-d to grant freedom for Jews whose liberty has been taken away, and to unite all Jews, despite the political arrangements of the nations in which they live.

Lenny's bar mitzvah will be a Canadian first: It will be twinned with the 13th birthday of Gelachew, an Ethiopian Jewish boy whose family was among the 12,000 or so Jews left behind in Ethiopia after Israel's dramatic Operation Moses in 1984/85.

Israel's secret airlift four years ago brought some 7,000 Ethiopian Jews to the Holy Land from Sudan, where many had trekked on foot. The airlift was abruptly halted when it became publicized.

According to facts provided by the Canadian Association for Ethiopian Jews (CAEJ), those Jews left in Ethiopia are mainly women, children and the elderly who were unable to walk to Sudan. Because the rescue was stopped prematurely, there are now thousands of "orphans of circumstance" in Israel; children separated from parents who had to be stranded.

Some figures released by groups working on behalf of Ethiopian Jews show that up to 70 per cent of Ethiopians living in Israel are separated from their families. The priority now, CAEJ feels, is the reunification of split families.

For Lenny, and his parents Michael and Marlene, interest in Ethiopian Jews (or Beta Israel, as they call themselves) began earlier this year when the Landas viewed a film on Ethiopian Jewry at their synagogue, Temple Emanu-El, and met Baruch Tegegne, a Beta Israel who lives in Toronto.

"We were very moved," recalls Marlene. "I was totally unaware that a problem existed; that people were dying.

"When we got home, Lenny's first response was, 'We have to do something.' "

The Landas' eldest son had had his bar mitzvah twinned with that of Igor Iosovitch, who was and still is a refusenik.

Last spring, the Landas hooked up with CAEJ, which offers twinning and adopt-a-family programs.

The family decided to "adopt" a Beta Israel clan. The Ethiopian family's surname cannot be printed for security reasons and it is not known whether Gelachew will be able to have a bar mitzvah.

Originally from Gondar province, where the majority of Jews are concentrated, the family consists of a mother, father, at least four sons, one of whom is in Israel, and two others, perhaps relatives. Three years ago, they went to live in the capital, Addis Ababa.

Up to 1,000 Jewish families have relocated to Addis Ababa in the past few years because work is scarce in the countryside and a civil war with Eritrean rebels rages on. The problem is that Jews arriving in the capital lack proper identity cards, which are needed for practically everything.

Most international observers agree the situation for Ethiopia's Jews is worsening. As part of the country's controversial "villagization" program, under which small villages are being absorbed into larger ones, Jews are being forcibly resettled and made to live in Christian or animist communities. Anti-Semitism is widespread and Jews are routinely accused of being Zionist agents.

A few weeks ago, Lenny's letters to Gelachew were answered. "They were very grateful that someone cares about them," says Marlene. "*They* wished *us* well. Can you imagine?"

The twinning will count toward Lenny's social service project, something required of all b'nai mitzvot at Temple Emanu-El. He's also completed 10 sessions as a volunteer at the York Mills Day Care Centre.

After Lenny's bar mitzvah ceremony, each child in attendance will receive a leather bracelet bearing the name of an Israeli Ethiopian child whose family was left behind. The recipients are then encouraged to write to the child. The bracelet project is sponsored by the World Union of Jewish Students and proceeds from their sales go toward relief, rescue and family reunification.

"We have the luxury of celebrating," Marlene says, "and they don't even have the 'luxury' of survival."

Says Lenny, "I'm excited because it (the twinning) can make people more aware."

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Develop guides for Ont. schools, rights body is told

TORONTO —

The Ontario Human Rights Commission should develop appropriate guidelines to aid in the teaching of racially sensitive material such as The Merchant of Venice.

That was the view presented recently by Canadian Jewish Congress to a standing committee of the provincial legislature dealing with the Commission.

"The buck must stop somewhere," whether it's with the Commission or with the provincial education ministry in handling the issue, said David Satok, chairman of Congress' joint community relations committee.

The Commmission, he suggested, should have the authority to conciliate or impose some form of settlement to insure Jewish children in the province's schools are protected from anti-Semitic harassment and negative stereotyping.

In its brief, Congress urged the Commission to develop "race and ethnocultural" workshops for high schools in which students would be prepared "for a multicultural existence."

Congress also suggested the Commission hire more staff to handle inquiries and complaints, that the quality of their investigators be improved and that it be given the financial resources it needs to perform its job adequately.

The committee was also told that Congress has received complaints from members of the Jewish community who suffered anti-Semitic slurs and racially motivated negative repercussions at work.

New dormitories set for Technion

TORONTO —

Reuben and Helene Dennis are contributing an additional student residence at the Technion, in Haifa, in honor of their late parents, Rosa and Morris Dennis and Rosa and Joseph Fox. Arnie Recht, president of the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Technion Society, made the announcement at the recent national board meeting in St. Sauveur, Que.

The Dennis' had earlier this year pledged funds for the construction of one residence as part of the Toronto campaign this year, which realized sufficient funds for the construction of three additional residences to be named for the major donors: Sydney and Florence Cooper, the Murray Menkes Family and the late Mrs. Teresa Szekely. Montrealers Joe and Goldie Raymer are also making a major contribution for a dormitory.

The weekend national board meeting in which 60 people from Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, Ottawa and Belleville participated, included lectures on the situation in the Middle East, dinners, sporting activities, a tour of the Laurentians and a formal board meeting.

Sydney Cooper, National president of the Canadian Technion Society reported that the past year had been a record year in terms of additional pledges, with contributions and transmission to Technion continuing at very high levels.

A National Board of 60 people from throughout Canada was elected, supplemented by a board of directors composed of previously active supporters and major donors. Sydney Cooper (Toronto) was re-elected national president; Morley Blankstein (Winnipeg), chairman of the board; and Harold Garfinkle (Toronto) national treasurer. Fran Cohen (Winnipeg), Arnie Recht (Toronto) and Ike Wenger (Montreal) were elected senior vice-presidents.

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Organizations and People

Note syndication completed

TORONTO —

Fred Guth, Chairman of the Construction and Development Division, State of Israel Bonds, this week announced the completion of the Division's first $1 Million Note Syndication. The purchase represents the first syndication of its kind in Canada.

Guth, who has been instrumental in the organization and eventual purchase of the Note, recruited the following participating members to be part of the syndication: Amnon Baruch, Ernest Bloch, Joe Gemeiner, Ed Glina, Al Libfeld, Conrad Ogniewicz, Miguel Singer, Zan Stern, and Eddie Weisz.

Ten private investors participated in the syndication of a $1 Million State of Israel Note, the first in Canada. Shown here (from left) are Eddie Weisz, Ernest Bloch, Miguel Singer, Jacques Vogler (State of Israel Bonds) and Fred Guth, Chairman of the Construction and Development Division, State of Israel Bonds.

Since 1976, $150 Million has been purchased through the Note Program, which offers denominations of $250,000, $500,000, and $1,000,000. In this particular instance, the group of 10 took advantage of the Fully Financed Purchase Program, whereby individual, credit worthy investors, as well as corporations, can provide Israel with substantial sums of capital, at little or no cost to themselves.

The purchase of these Notes is strongly encouraged by the Finance Minister of Israel, since the funds represent much-needed, long term financing for the State according to a release from State of Israel Bonds. Many large corporations and businesses have also purchased Notes through the Note Program, among them several major Canadian banks and insurance companies.

The specific rules governing this type of syndication allow for each of the members to be responsible for their own portion of the Note; however it's the "fully financed" aspect that makes the program so attractive. By subscribing for a $1 Million Note, the group was able to borrow the FULL amount of the note using London Interbank Offered Rates to completely finance the purchase of the Note. Historically, these rates have been below the U.S. Prime.

Very simply, the Note itself was used as collateral and the funds were borrowed to actually purchase the Note.

While in possession of the Note, the (relatively high) interest is collected, and is used to offset the cost of interest on the prearranged loan. At year end, there is little or no cost encountered by the purchasing group. The program has proven to be an exceptional investment option, not only for the members of the syndicate, but also for the State of Israel.

Nominees are being sought for Ontario volunteer awards

TORONTO —

Non-profit community organizations are invited to nominate candidates for the 1990 Ontario Volunteer Service Awards and Outstanding Achievement Awards, the provincial government has announced.

Volunteer Service Awards recognize five, 10 and 15 years of continuous voluntary service by an individual to a community organization. The activities of the organization must comply with the mandate of either the Ministry of Citizenship or the Ministry of Culture and Communications.

Eligible organizations include museums, newcomer and settlement service organizations, historical societies, multicultural associations and native groups.

"Volunteers are the foundation upon which every non-profit organization is built," said Bob Wong, minister of citizenship.

Fifteen Outstanding Achievement Awards are presented annually in recognition of extraordinary volunteer work. Individuals, non-profit organizations and businesses are eligible to receive these awards.

These are mediated by a jury and decisions are based upon considerable documentation of the candidate's career as a volunteer.

Nomination forms are available at all Ministry of Citizenship and Ministry of Culture and Communications regional offices, by writing Volunteer Awards Program, 77 Bloor St. W., 15th floor, Toronto, M7A 2R9 or calling (416) 965-7505.

Deadline for nominations is Dec. 15.

Sunnybrook gets foot care

TORONTO —

Believed to be the first arrangement of its kind in Ontario, a private foot care centre is being set up in the Sunnybrook Hospital Center for Independent Living.

Bio-Ped will begin its operations in the Sunnybrook Center Nov. 1. It makes special devices, shoes and custom shoe modifications used in the treatment of problems such as bunions, hammer toes, heel spurs, fallen arches, diabetic ulcers, arthritis, polio, traumatic injuries and other lower limb disorders.

The cost of an examination by the doctor will be paid for by OHIP, but not any costs for the orthotic devices, according to Jerry Houtart, a director of the Sunnybrook Center.

Another innovation, Houtart said, is the coming installation of a computing system for making orthotic devices. This new technology was developed in Britain, where 40,000 of these units have been made, he said.

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The Canadian Jewish news Magazine

Organizations and People

Ex-cult member is star attraction

Seminars to focus on fighting missionary threat

By
PHIL FINE

TORONTO —
When it comes to missionaries, Julius Ciss is as close to the genuine article as you're likely to find.

For five years, the tall, outgoing 38-year-old Torontonian was a devoted member of a Hebrew-Christian cult.

He taught Sunday school, led a church choir and extolled the virtues of Hebrew-Christianity on radio talk shows across North America. He even helped proselytize other Jews.

These days, Ciss, who returned to Judaism in 1981 and who has since become observant, is devoting much of his time to battling missionaires and to counselling Jews sucked into the missionary vortex.

He's already set up a Toronto office of Jews For Judaism, a Baltimore-based counter-missionary group, and is helping put on two seminars in Toronto next month to teach rabbis, educators and community workers how to fight the missionary threat.

The three-hour seminars, set for Sun., Nov. 5 and Mon., Nov. 6, at the Zionist Centre, 788 Marlee Ave., will be both intensive and comprehensive, Ciss says.

Sunday's session will provide an overview of the missionary problem including a profile of the typical missionary "victim."

It will also include a screening of an Assemblies of God video urging the evangelization of Jews. Ciss himself will speak on his former Hebrew-Christian involvement.

Rabbi Michael Skobac

Mark Powers

Julius Ciss

Monday's session will focus on ways of responding to missionaries, teaching techniques for children and why, from a Biblical perspective, says Ciss, "Jews cannot believe in Jesus."

Cost is $15 for both seminars or $10 for one. Starting time is seven p.m.

Ciss has no doubt missionaries are a threat. Four Christian-Jewish missionary groups (two more than when Ciss was a member) now operate in Toronto, he says, and another (a Toronto offshoot) exists in Calgary.

In fact, says Bernie Farber, associate national director of community relations for the Canadian Jewish Congress, missionaries are also active in Vancouver, Edmonton, Ottawa and Montreal.

In 1987, one Toronto group claimed a membership of 150 "messianic Jews" although not all of them, Farber cautions, may necessarily be Jews.

In the United States, missionary activities are far more extensive. There are 180 different organizations trying to convert Jews to Christianity, says Mark Powers, director of Jews for Judaism (Baltimore) and one of the seminar leaders.

The groups are well-financed. Altogether, says Powers, missionaries are spending over $100 million a year trying to convert Jews. In Canada, one group reportedly raised $400,000 alone.

But missionary tactics are what really bother Powers. Proselytizers, he says, prey on people with weak emotional defences in an effort to prove that the Tanach shows Christ to be the promised Jewish messiah.

They then practice "love-bombing" to the point where Jews cannot imagine life without the "Hebrew-Christian" cult.

"Every effort is made to spend as much time as possible with the individual in order to draw him into a group on a personal basis," Powers says.

Rabbi Michael Skobac, director of the New York branch of Jews for Judaism and another scheduled seminar leader, thinks missionary efforts will only intensify.

Fundamentalist Christians, he says, will step up proselytizing out of their millenial-like belief that Jews must be converted before the second coming of Christ can occur.

Despite that forecast, Ciss remains confident the seminars will prove effective.

Although Jews can always be spirited away from Hebrew-Christian cults, education on the fundamentals of Judaism, he says, is the best way of innoculating people against what he calls the "missionary threat".

For more information on the seminars or on Jews for Judaism, call (416) 789-2851.

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Organizations and People

Institute luring scientists back to Israel

Weizmann trying to stop brain drain

By
SHEILA DROPKIN

TORONTO —
The inaugural meeting of the Weizmann Women for Science was held recently in the Royal Ontario Museum, with a discussion of Institute projects by guest speaker Dr. Ruth Arnon, the first female vice-president of the Weizmann Institute of Science in Israel.

An internationally acclaimed immunologist, Arnon was in Toronto to attend the special celebrations marking the 75th anniversary of Connaught Laboratories at the University of Toronto. She has won many scientific prizes and accolades for her pioneering research in the role which the immune system plays in nerve disorders, and for her work in cancer drug targeting.

Guest host Isabel Bassett, noted author, broadcaster, TV host and producer, called Arnon "a role model for young women, who should be encouraged to study science." She said that the new organization is "extremely lucky to have such an eminent scientist, the perfect person" to launch its activities.

"Traditionally women in Canada are not interested in science," she said. "They think it's irrelevant to their lives. The work that Prof. Arnon is doing in immunology is vital to the home and family, which is very relevant."

Bassett told of her own son having been exposed to meningitis at school and of her gratitude that there was a vaccine that he could take to prevent his becoming ill.

Although the Weizmann Institute is basically a research centre, it is also involved in education, Arnon explained, with programs at all levels, from Masters and PhDs to elementary school tutoring for underprivileged children.

Among the institute's main objectives for the near future are the "maintenance of its level of excellence," expansion into new areas of research and a fight against the brain drain.

"The fight against the departure of top scientists to North America has begun in earnest and at least two top-notch researchers are being lured back from the United States by new projects now being undertaken at Weizmann," said Arnon. One is the study of solar energy, supported largely by Canadian friends. "Since Israel is poor in natural resources for energy, but has abundant sunlight, this is a perfect route for the country to take," she said.

Two other new projects involve study of the brain through investigation of brain functions — hearing, vision, memory — and the development of new technology for the electronics industry.

When asked what she considered to be the Institute's most important needs at this time, the guest speaker answered "New equipment. Equipment is becoming more elaborate and expensive and there is a constant need-to-upgrade."

She told the gathering that since taking on the position of vice-president she has had to cut back on her own research studies, but she still supervises a staff of investigators working on the development of new vaccines. She is trying to develop vaccines synthetically, using only a portion of the disease-causing organism, which minimizes risk of infection.

One of the diseases which she's studying is schistosomlasis, which affects the spleen and liver and which is very prevalent in Egypt. To her dismay, she said, the overtures made to Egyptian scientists to collaborate in the study were spurned. She is also working on the influenza virus and the bacteria that causes dysentery, a major factor in Third World countries.

Her cancer research involves the targeting of cancer cells so that therapy will attack them only and will not affect healthy cells, as is the current situation.

"We've made much progress in the last 10 to 12 years, but we still have a long way to go," she said.

She also claimed advances in the control of multiple sclerosis. The vaccine which she and her colleagues have developed has shown, in early clinical tests, to be highly effective in patients with early and mild symptoms of the disorder. But here too, she cautioned, there's still a lot to study and it will be some time before the vaccine is approved.

Another major problem in developing countries that the Weizmann is tackling is the prevalence of parasitic diseases. For example, over 300 million people in these areas suffer from malaria. Parasites can live in the body for its lifetime and are themselves immune to the body's immune system. There are, as yet, no vaccines against parasites. "The only way to overcome them is to be smarter than the parasites," she quipped.

In response to a question from the audience, Arnon stated that the Weizmann Institute does not have any affirmative action program with regard to hiring of women scientists. "We look for the best. If they happen to be women, so be it."

For more information on the new women's division, call Edie Bayer at 733-9220.

Jag and jeeps among prizes

Diabetes association holding raffle

TORONTO —
The Juvenile Diabetes Foundation of Canada Toronto Chapter, is holding a raffle and gala to raise funds for research into eradicating diabetes.

Raffle tickets, which are limited in number to give each purchaser a greater chance of winning, cost $100. Prizes include a Jeep YJ (or $10,000); a Jeep Cherokee Limited (or $25,000); a Jaguar XJ6 (or $50,000) and the grand prize of a Rolls-Royce Silver Spirit (or $150,000).

A raffle ticket admits the purchaser and a guest to a gala on Tuesday, Nov. 21, from 6:30 to midnight, at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. The folk-singing trio Peter, Paul and Mary will entertain, and there will be a Monte Carlo Casino and an auction.

Other special events and draws are available at extra additional cost, such as a black tie dinner and a blackjack tournament.

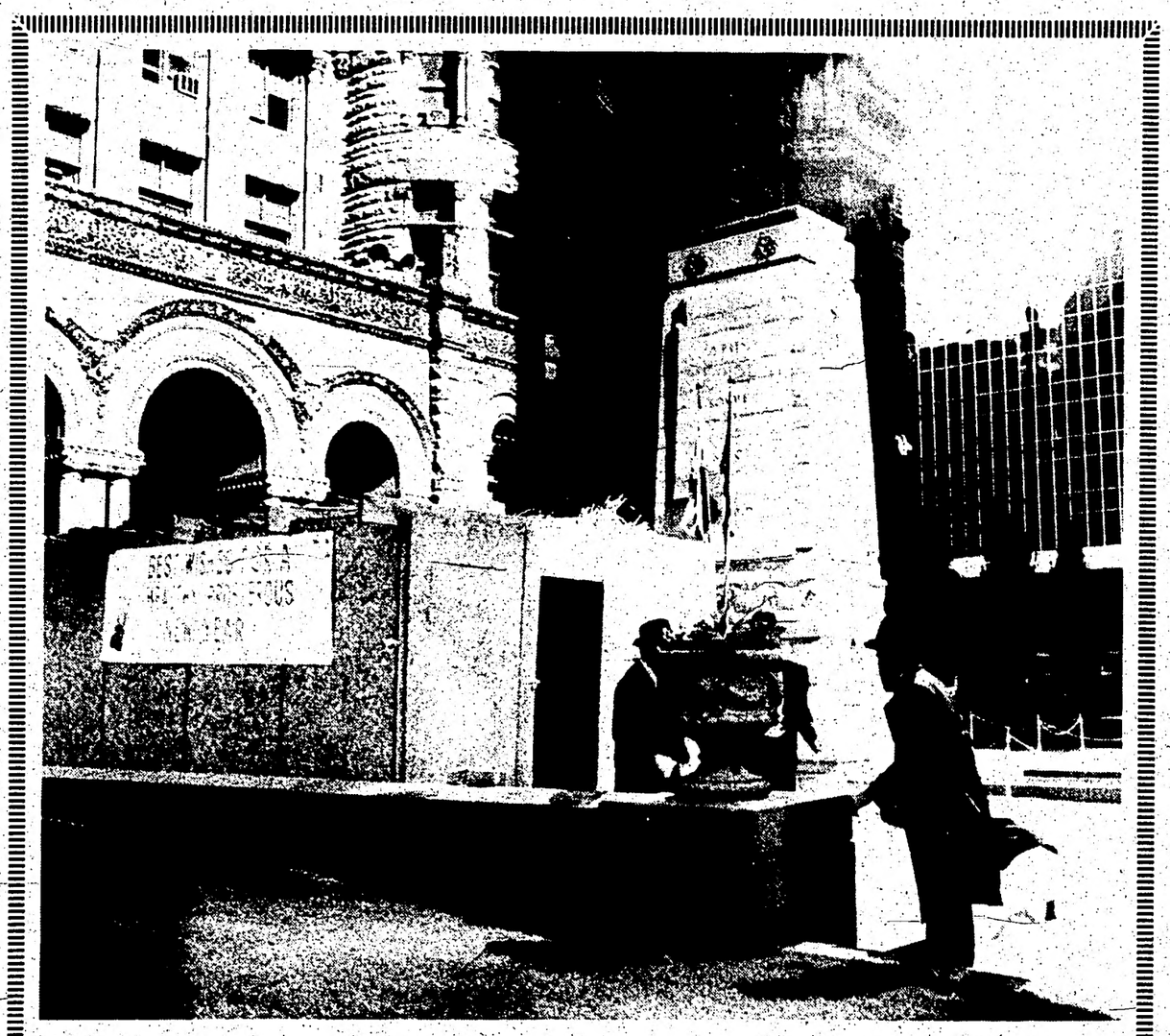
Anne Moynihan, vice-president public relations for the JDFC Toronto Chapter, said the raffle and gala is the Toronto chapter's largest annual fundraising event. In the past, it has raised over $1 million for diabetes research.

Individuals with diabetes, explained Moynihan, are prone to such complications as heart and kidney disease, gangrene and neurological disorders. "It is the leading cause of adult blindness and drastically reduces one's life expectancy."

Warning signs, she said, are unusual thirst, frequent urination, abnormal hunger, sudden weight loss, skin disorder and infections, blurred vision and unexplained weakness and fatigue.

Insulin, the Foundation points out, it not a cure, only a control.

For information and tickets, contact Mary-Ellen Hynd at the Toronto Chapter offices at 224-2633.



CHABAD LUBAVITCH SUKKAH

Business people, workers and visitors to Toronto's downtown were treated recently to the opportunity of fulfilling the mitzvah of eating in a sukkah and benching (saying the blessings) over a lulav and etrog, thanks to the efforts of Chabad Lubavitch, which erected this sukkah in front of Old City Hall on Queen Street. [Graphic Artists photo]

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Welfare reforms needed to end food banks: Freid

By
JEFF ROSEN

TORONTO —
Food banks could eventually become a form of private sector social assistance if governments fail to provide adequate welfare assistance, says the executive director of North York Harvest Food Bank.

"The longer we wait to implement change, the more difficult it will be to get out of this business," says Loren Freid.

While welcoming the provincial government's decision to implement parts of the first stage of the Social Assistance Review Committee's report, Freid said he is concerned the public might believe the necessary changes have been taken and not push for further reforms.

"We've barely scratched the surface," he said. "Now is the time for full implementation. We have an affluent economy, a blueprint for change, government commitment to go through with the change and overwhelming community support to implement it.

"If we don't do it now, we may not get another opportunity to do it again," he added.

For his part, Freid said North York Harvest Food Bank will continue to operate as long as there is a proven need.

Following a "devastating" summer of food collection, Freid said the food bank has been busy since Labor Day with a number of drives, including the Share Thanksgiving drive and the recent Sukkot food drive which Freid has been running for the past four years.

While it is still too early to tell how much food will be collected from the latter drive, Freid said he was pleased to hear the president of Adath Israel Synagogue ask congregants to drop food off at the shul during a recent Shabbat service.

As well as Adath Israel, Temple Sinai, Temple Emanu-El, Temple Har Zion, Beth Sholom and Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda participated, as did Associated Hebrew Schools' branches and the Beth Tzedec branch of United Synagogue Day Schools.

In December the food bank will hold drives in apartment buildings, and several clubs, including B'nai Brith, will hold their own drives.

North York Harvest Food Bank is also conducting an ongoing drive with the Leah Posluns Theatre which is run by lining up food companies for each of the theatre's five productions.

While each company is required to donate at least 5,000 pounds of food, the food bank received over 50,000 pounds last season, most of which was high protein food.

Freid said that as well as generating public support and educating the public about the need for food donations, this program allows theatre patrons to make their own donations to the food basket placed in the theatre's foyer.

Besides the various food drives, Freid said the public is welcome to make donations directly to the food bank. He said high protein foods, such as canned meat and fish and peanut butter is always needed, as is baby food and formula.

Although based in North York, Freid said the organization does not distribute just within the city.

Last year the food bank also served Etobicoke, York and other agencies in the greater Metro Toronto area, as well as inside and outside the province.

Although suburban Toronto is often characterized as being too affluent to require food banks, Freid pointed out that a survey conducted in 1988 with recipient suburban-based agencies found that 45 per cent of those asking for food were 30 to 49 years old and 52 per cent receiving assistance were children.

"We can't close down unless reforms are being implemented," said Freid.

For further information on the food bank call 746-8438.

Mideast conflict probed

VANCOUVER —
The Israeli-Palestinian conflict was the subject of a recent meeting between British Columbia Federation of Labor President Ken Georgetti, John Weir, director of the federation's community and social action department, Israeli Consul General Benjamin Abileah and Erwin Nest, executive director of Canadian Jewish Congress, Pacific Region.

Georgetti related the concerns expressed at the 1988 Federation Annual Convention by union delegates regarding the situation of Palestinian trade unions and workers. Specifically, these concerns related to administrative detention, deportation, and the difficulties faced by unions in representing the interests of their members under the circumstances of the occupation.

He pointed out that while the Federation fully supported the right of the State of Israel to a peaceful existence, and the direct negotiation of a resolution to the conflict, it had a fundamental duty to ensure that every possible step was being taken to ensure the observance of basic trade union and human rights.

Georgetti also noted that the B.C. Federation of Labor had participated in a Canadian Labor Congress study mission to Israel and the territories earlier in the year, and that this had given them a much greater appreciation of the complexities of the situation than could be derived from media information available here.

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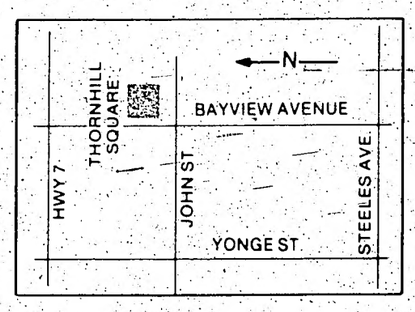

Organizations and People

Cuban Jewish leader praises assistance of Canadian Jewry

TORONTO —

In the first visit of a Cuban Jewish leader to Canada since the 1959 Castro Revolution, Dr. Jose Miller expressed the gratitude of the poverty-stricken community to Canadian Jewry for more than a quarter century of assistance.

Miller told a Toronto audience how appreciative Cuba's 350 Jewish families are for the annual supply of Passover food and goods from the Canadian Jewish Congress. Food donated by the Ontario Region of Congress to the community is sold at synagogues. The income raised is used to sustain Jewish institutions and assist needy families.

"It is becoming much more difficult to provide our families and institutions with goods to fulfil ritual requirements," Miller told a recent meeting co-sponsored by the CJC International Affairs Committee and Adath Israel Synagogue. Adath Israel is twinned with a shul with the same name in Havana.

Miller, president of the Coordinating Commission of Jewish Institutions in Cuba, explained that his organization is made up of the heads of the three Havana synagogues plus other officials. "We speak of problems with education, cemeteries and transportation," he said in an interview prior to his address.

"We can't raise funds because we are a mainly poverty-stricken community," he continued. "Salaries are all government controlled . . . The government neither helps nor interferes with the community." (Cuban Jews are unable to import kosher products from the United States because of the American trade embargo.)

Shortage of rabbis is noted

"We need much more assistance than before." There are no rabbis on the island to service the remaining three congregations — two Ashkenazi, one Sephardi.

Eighty-two per cent of Cuba's 1,100 Jews live in Havana, he said. The inter-marriage rate is extremely high. Due to a housing shortage, many families have three generations living under one roof. There is a Sunday school class, and a kosher butcher open only once a week because of severe meat rationing.

Each Passover a collective seder is held in Havana. The 150 attendees dine on food supplied by the Canadian Jewish Congress, Miller said. Jewish organizations and officials in countries such as Venezuela and Mexico also assisted the Cubans with prayer books and a van to transport 12 elderly persons to the synagogue.

Edmond Y. Lipsitz, CJC Ontario Region executive director, thanked Adath Israel for its constant moral and financial support in providing religious material and literature for the Cubans.

During his visit to Canada, which also included a speech to a Congress executive meeting in Montreal, Miller saw his son David and daughter-in-law Jill Sinclair in Ottawa. The couple met in Havana where Sinclair served as a Canadian consular official two years ago.

Asked how he would describe Canadian Jewish communal life on his return to his native land, Miller reflected: "I will say 'Do you remember how we lived 30 years ago?'. Canada has a well-organized community with some magnificent structures." Before the revolution, Cuba's Jewish population was estimated at 15,000.

The Cuban Jewish leader told of Canadian Jewish vacationers at Varadero Beach making the trip to Havana for Sabbath services. And he welcomed visitors to services and kiddush at the Jewish Community Centre-Temple Beth Shalom.

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Nu-Dell Plastics honored by Reena for equity policy

By
BILL GLADSTONE

TORONTO —

The Reena Foundation has honored Nu-Dell Plastics as Employer of the Year for employing four Reena clients for the past 18 months.

Presenting the award at the foundation's recent annual meeting at the Wagman Centre, Reena board member Frances Mandell praised Nu-Dell president Fred Weidman and office administrator Jackie Marshall for actively promoting the integration of mentally handicapped workers into the work place.

Also honored were Reena clients Julian Wojichowski, who works at Nu-Dell, and Richard Dunk, who works in Reena's snack bar, Checkers. Both men were cited as Employees of the Year for their dedicated, conscientious conduct in the work place.

Jack Ray, the manager of services to the disabled for the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services, spoke about the increasing complexity of providing social services.

Social service agencies must become more innovative with the tightening resources allocated to them, he said, adding, "If we were ever wasteful, that time is over." Greater co-operation has risen among agencies and between agencies and government in recent years, he said, as social workers attempt to eliminate the duplication of services.

Eighteen nominees to Reena's board of directors were approved at the meeting. Those approved for a one-year term are: Bernie Federman, Larry Ginsberg, Harley Mintz, Jerry Panet, Howard Ungerman and Harold Wodinsky.

Those approved for a two-year term are: Al Levin, Fred Levitt, Frances Mandell, Sharon Noss, Jerry Potasky and Barbara Sugar.

Those approved for a three-year term are: Brenda Lerner, Ira Sack, Jeremy Collins, Hy Eiley, Gerda Friedberg and Angela Sheritan. All but the last four people listed were previous board members.

The Reena Foundation aims to integrate mentally handicapped people into the community. Last year, it provided residential support to 125 people and day programs for an additional 90.

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Making a difference

Principals in Fashion Division breakfast seminar are from the left: Tom Delaney, Mel Fruitman, Jeffrey Wortsman, Gabe Nachman and Joel Weiner.

No one can say UJA divisional leadership isn't providing a pot pourri of programming integrated with fund-raising functions.

A great example is the recent breakfast seminar sponsored by the Fashion Division.

It was lively and heavy, considering the topic — the proposed Goods and Services Tax. There was a lot of heat generated, with most of the darts directed at **Joel Weiner**, who was the lone voice favoring the federal government's stand. Not exactly unexpected since Weiner is chief of consultations and analysis in the Sales and Excise Tax Division, Department of Finance.

The breakfast seminar at the Park Plaza Hotel, also featured panelists **Tom Delaney**, member of the Task Force on the GST, Consumers Association of Canada; **Gabe Nachman**, partner in Coopers & Lybrand; and **Mel Fruitman**, vice-president, Retail Council of Canada. Presiding over it all was **Jeffrey Wortsman**.

Most of the questions and challenges from the floor were targeted at Joel Weiner. When the smoke cleared, the general consensus (excluding Weiner) was that if the GST is implemented as presently proposed, it will have a devastating impact on the fashion trade, particularly the retail sector, which according to several people in the audience, is already experiencing a slump.

Before the panelists stepped up to the podium to present their views, campaign co-chairman **Joel Greisman** congratulated the Fashion Division and its chairmen **Colin Lewis** and **Jonathan Miller** on the progress and forward strides made by the division in just a few short years. He also provided a brief update on the 1990 campaign.

The morning program was succinctly wrapped up by Miller with what he termed "the four inevitables — death, taxes, the United Jewish Appeal campaign and more taxes."

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Shalom Division of Women's Campaign is jumping the gun on the-soon-to-be-open "Anne Frank in the World" exhibit, with a special preview on Wednesday, November 1st.

Invitees will congregate on the 4th floor rotunda of the Lipa Green Building at 8:30 a.m., then go on to board a chartered bus which leaves promptly at 9:00 a.m. for Ontario Place. This group will be the first to officially view the exhibit there.

Included is a kosher breakfast and a featured guest speaker — **Miriam Frankel**, who will talk of her experiences as a survivor.

Co-chairmen of Special Events are **Maryka Weisz, Linda Sandel** and **Jeanette Massouda**. Division chairmen are **Barbara Abrams** and **Judy Sigler**.

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An "Anne Frank" evening program on Sunday, November 5, is being sponsored by the New Leadership Council. **Dr. Dewar MaCleod**, educational director, Anne Frank Institute, New York City, will be the keynote speaker.

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The telethon season is now upon us.

A week ago on a Monday evening, the fourth and fifth floors of 4600 Bathurst were bursting at the seams with canvassers from several divisions coming in for an early dinner and then getting on the telephones.

B'nai Brith ran a combined telethon with their own regulars, plus members of the Synagogue Division, members of the Russian Jewish Association, and were even joined by two Hebrew school teachers who work in the general studies program.

We managed to get the names of all those who participated and do hope no one has been left out. Here they are in no particular order:

Leon Rochman, Moe Freedman, Morris Glick, Joe Factor, Izy Stern, Al Rich, Guta Mordkowitz, Sara Wakerman, Miriam Naiman, Djordje B. Popadic, David Stokes, Dorothy Farberman, Ida Picov, Max Zeifman, Nathan Godfrey, David Eisen, Syd Solomons, Irwin Gold.

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Also in the building that same evening doing their thing for Ma Bell and the campaign were members of the Physicians Division, headed by **Mort Goldbach** and **Irv Gottesman**.

Joining them were Drs. **Joseph Berger, Ivan Goldman, Jeff Lipsitz, Sid Nusinowitz, Brian Silver** and **Janice Weiss**. And getting into the spirit of the evening were two lone representatives of the Dentists Division — **Gord Perlmutter** and **Jerry Smith**.

No doubt about it, telethon fever is in the air.

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Until next week ...

Organizations and People

Rabbi brings extensive experience to post

Louis Schechter is spiritual leader at Beth Sholom

TORONTO —

Rabbi Louis I. Schechter has been appointed spiritual leader of Beth Sholom Synagogue. He assumed his duties in September, and officiated at the High Holiday services.

Previously, Schechter spent 4½ years in San Antonio, Tex. Prior to that, Schechter held the pulpit at Beth Israel, the Conservative congregation in Calgary, for 15 years.

Schechter has been involved in many facets of the Jewish and general community.

He was involved in the Jewish Community Center activities, a past president of the Calgary Zionist Council, and was at one time a National Vice-President of the Canadian Council for Conservative Judaism. He instituted many adult education programs on a variety of subjects and was on the Board of Jewish Federation, Israel Bonds, ORT and many other Jewish organizations.

During his tenure in Calgary he was instrumental in helping to build a community mikvah.

Schechter over the years has led numerous tours to Israel. In the general community, Rabbi Schechter has been involved in the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews and interfaith ministerial associations. He was also chairman of the Calgary interfaith higher education committee which was instrumental in bringing a full religious studies department to the University of Calgary.

Schechter has also been a regular lecturer at the University of Calgary, Mount Royal College and many other post-secondary institutions.

He and his wife Rivka have 4 children. In Calgary, they were co-founders of an amateur theatre group within Beth Israel Synagogue, which became known as the Beth Israel Players.

This theatre group attracted people from the entire community.

Rivka Schechter is a professional director and producer in theatre as well as an educator and in the past has written a curriculum for Jewish pre-school which was published in Calgary.

Rabbi Louis I. Schechter

Women in Judaism theme of parleys

TORONTO —

Women and their changing place in Judaism is the theme of two conferences being held this late fall.

The Women's mission to Israel, Nov. 25 - Dec. 3, is scheduled partly to celebrate the first anniversary of the International Conference "The Empowerment of Jewish Women."

Sponsored by the American Jewish Congress' Commission for Women's Equality, participants will receive briefings on the status of women from judicial, legal, military, political and religious authorities. They will also meet the Women of the Wall, a group of women working to hold formal prayer services at the Western Wall.

A Torah scroll will be presented to the women of Jerusalem from Diaspora women.

For more information, write American Jewish Congress Commission for Women's Equality, 15 East 84th St., New York, N.Y. 10028.

New York will be the site of a day-long conference on Dec. 3 to mark the 12th anniversary of the National Council of Jewish Women New York Section Jewish Women's Resource Center.

The theme of the conference is to envision and plan for Jewish feminism in coming decades.

The opening plenary "will address the silence in the Jewish tradition surrounding women's history and experience," and the way in which women are now "creating a new history and midrash" and "reimaging God."

Judith Plaskow, associate professor of Religious Studies at Manhattan College, will address the plenary.

Panel discussions during the afternoon will range through the Jewish family, women in history, Jewish lesbians, prayer and politics.

Francine Klagsbrun, a member of the Commission for Ordination of Women at Jewish Theological Seminary, will speak at the closing plenary, entitled Coming of Age as Jewish Feminists.

For registration or more information, contact Alicia Driks (212) 535-5900, or write NCJW New York Section, 9 East 69th St., New York, N.Y. 10002.

Names needed for awards

TORONTO —

The Ontario Women's Directorate has opened nominations for the 1989 Achivement in Employment Equity Awards.

This year there will be an increased focus on practices that broaden opportunities for women, the disabled, minorities and aboriginal peoples.

Joining the OWD in sponsoring this year's awards are the Ontario Native Affairs Directorate, the Ontario Office for Disabled Persons, the Ministry of Labor and the Ministry of Citizenship. Deadline for nominations is Nov. 10.

"Our government must ensure that each person in the province has equal access to the workplace and an equal opportunity to participate to her or his full ability," said Mavis Wilson, minister responsible for women's issues. "This is why awards have been expanded to include measures that address the needs of all workers who have historically faced barriers in the workplace."

An independent panel of judges drawn from business, labor and the community will review the nominations. The recommendations of the panel will be approved by the ministers sponsoring the event.

Nomination forms are being mailed province-wide to private and public sector organizations as well as to community groups. Forms are also available by calling (416) 597-4556.

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Organizations and People

Will run at York, U of T

Program on mind games set

By
AVI HYMAN

TORONTO —
The sixth annual Mind Games, a program geared to university students and designed to increase awareness of deceptive recruitment and mind control techniques used by cults, begins Monday, Oct. 30 and runs to Thursday, Nov. 2 this year.

According to coordinator Karen Anthony, "We know that the need for this kind of program is there because newspaper headlines scream with stories of abused children, satanic rituals and aggressive evangelical movements. Mind control and deceptive recruitment continue to exist, yet often go unnoticed because techniques are more subtle than they used to be."

Sponsored by the B'nai Brith Hillel Foundation, the program originated at the University of Toronto. This year, for the first time it will also be offered at York University.

Mike Kropveld, director of the Hillel Cult Project in Montreal, will be speaking on the topic, The Dangers of Involvement, together with an ex-cult member. (Monday, Oct. 30, 4 p.m., University College at U of T; Tuesday, Oct. 31, noon, Ross Bldg. at York). He will also touch on any new developments in recent cases reported by the media.

Both Fellows, renowned Los Angeles professional magician and mentalist will discuss Magic and Mind Control (Monday, Oct. 30, noon, The Bear Pit at York; Tuesday, Oct. 31, noon, Sidney Smith Bldg. U of T). His talk will feature demonstrations on mind control and intuition and ways to resist manipulation.

The topic Ritual Abuse and Satanism, will be addressed by educator Robert Tucker, director of the Council on Mind Abuse (Wednesday, Nov. 1, 4 p.m., New College at U of T).

Last year's session with Tucker featured live public confrontations between members of an organization which has often been a cult and Tucker.

All events are free and open to the public. For more information call (U of T) 923-9861 or (York) 736-5178.

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University of Toronto Hillel personnel are warning students about missionaries believed to be from the group of Jews for Jesus who are operating on the main streets around the university's downtown campus.

The warnings were issued after several students complained that the so-called High Holiday literature being handed out by individuals was deceptive about the organization from which it originated.

Jews for Jesus is not a recognized campus organization but is represented on campus by the Messianic Bible Study group, which also holds missionary style campus radio programs around Passover and Hanukkah.

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The Jewish student groups at York and U of T are sponsoring a retreat to Camp Reena on the weekend of Oct. 27-29, 1989.

The theme of the retreat is Hate Literature. It will feature Lorne Shipman of B'nai Brith's League for Human Rights as well as a representative from the Ontario Provincial Police's hate literature section.

Call 736-5178 (York) or 923-9861 (U of T) for more information.

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Participants in Homeward Bound, the first-ever Network convention in Israel will be departing for one week on Jan. 1, 1990. The trip is co-sponsored by the United Israel Appeal.

Registration for the trip closes at the end of October. The price is an all-inclusive $625 for Canadian university students.

The trip features accommodation at the Jerusalem Hilton, visits to Yad Vashem, The Knesset, Massada, a cruise on Lake Kinneret and a meeting with prominent Israeli politician Benjamin Netanyahu.

For information call Lysa Springer at Network, (416) 783-1165.

Rabbi Deborah Brin

Darchei Noam shul gets new quarters

TORONTO —
Darchei Noam, the only Reconstructionist synagogue in Toronto, has moved into the new first floor addition of the B'nai Brith building at 15 Hove St. in Downsview. The space includes a 300-seat sanctuary with room for meetings, receptions, offices and classrooms.

According to Darchei Noam's rabbi, Deborah Brin, the move is a very significant one for the congregation. "Our members need to have a place they are proud to call their own, a place that is comfortable for all of the activities of a growing and vibrant congregation."

Darchei Noam is a democratic, egalitarian and participatory congregation, according to a press release. Its diverse membership is made up of 150 households — families, elders, single parents, couples and singles. Regular Shabbat, Festival and High Holy Day services are traditional in form yet progressive in content. Men and women participate equally and fully — from minyan to aliyah to reading Torah.

Prayers and congregational singing are largely in Hebrew, with English interpretations and explanations. Study and dialogue replace the traditional rabbinic sermon. Children are welcome or can attend the regular children's services. The congregation also offers a Hebrew school, b'nai mitzvah program, youth group and adult education courses.

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Nov. 1 —5	Jewish Book Fair continuing. Leah Posluns Theatre, 4588 Bathurst St. For information call 636-9756.
Nov. 1 —13	Holocaust Education Week. Programs at various locals throughout the city. For program listings see display ad on Page 27. For info. 635-2883.
Nov. 2 —30	Anne Frank in the World Exhibit. Toronto Jewish Congress. Ontario Place, Mon. & Wed. 9:30-5, Tues. & Thurs. 9:30-9:30, Fri. 9:30-3, Sun. 10-8. Parking and admission free.
Nov. 5 Cont'g	"Focus on Israel". 1st speaker, Paul Michaels, Director of Communications, Canada Israel Committee. Sponsored by Toronto Zionist Council and the Canadian Holocaust Remembrance Association. 788 Marlee Ave. 10 a.m.
Nov. 6	Shaar Shalom Synagogue Adult Education. Rabbi Howard Markose, "The Synagogue". 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill, 8 p.m.
Nov. 7	Shaarei Tefillah. Fall Institute of Jewish Studies. "Judaism and Secular Knowledge: A Permanent Schism?", conducted by Rabbi Moshe Stern, 3600 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.
Nov. 7	T'nach Study Group, Toronto Jewish Cultural Council, Toronto Jewish Congress. Book of Samuel, Chapter III & IV, lecturer, Jack Burke. Associated Hebrew School, 3630 Bathurst St., 8:15 p.m.
Nov. 11	Safam Concert, Jewish Music Society of Toronto. A Boston based light music group's first cross-Canada tour. Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave., 8 p.m. For ticket information call 635-2883, ext. 154 or 487-4161.
Nov. 13	Shaar Shalom Synagogue Adult Education. Rabbi Howard Markose, "Ancient Prayers in Modern Times". 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill, 8 p.m.
Nov. 14	Shaarei Tefillah. Fall Institute of Jewish Studies, "The Torah, Jew and the Non-believer: Can the Gap br Bridged?" 3600 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.
Nov. 15	Holy Blossom Sisterhood. Prof. Elaine Newton book review "The Skin of the Lion", 1950 Bathurst St., 8 p.m. For ticket information 789-3291.
Nov. 16	Rare film footage from pre-state Eretz Yisroel from the Steven Spielberg Jewish Film Archive, Marilyn Koolik, Curator. Toronto Jewish Film Society, Canadian Friends of Hebrew University and Shaarei Shomayim Congregation. 470 Glencairn Ave., 8 p.m. Everyone welcome. Free admission.
Nov. 19	Philip Goldman Memorial Lecture. Guest speaker, Lord Weidenfeld. Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University and Holy Blossom Temple. 1950 Bathurst St., 8 p.m. Public is invited. Admission free.
Nov. 20	Shaar Shalom Synagogue Adult Education. "Minor Festivals and Commemorations". 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill, 8 p.m.
Nov. 21	Shaarei Tefillah. Fall Institute of Jewish Studies "Brit Milah & AIDS - A Twentieth Century Curse Invades Jewish Life". 3600 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.
Nov. 21	T'nach Study Group, Toronto Jewish Congress. Book of Samuel, Chapters V & VI, lecturer, Dr. Aaron Nussbaum. Associated Hebrew School, 3630 Bathurst St., 8:15 p.m.
Nov. 27	Shaar Shalom Synagogue Adult Education "It's a Long Way to Jerusalem - Pesach, Shavuot, Sukkot". 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill, 8 p.m.
Nov. 28	Shaarei Tefillah. Fall Instutute of Jewish Studies, "The Halacha of a Kohen Studying Medicine". 3600 Bathurst St., 8 p.m.

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Yardeni 1st JNF shaliach for small communities

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — The Jewish National Fund's first Israeli shaliach (emissary) for smaller communities in Canada has arrived in Hamilton.

Yigal Yardeni is a tall, greying man with a friendly smile and a relaxed and easy manner.

Recently installed in his new, and still bare, office — two rooms that were conveniently available at the Hamilton State of Israel Bonds office at 105 Main St. — Yardeni is ready to begin his task of "expanding and deepening" JNF activities in the smaller Jewish communities of Ontario.

The new office will serve the area south and west of Toronto, taking in all communities from Sarnia, Windsor and London to Kitchener, Guelph, St. Catharines and Brantford.

The decision to set up the office, explains Yardeni, came as a result of the JNF's realization that small communities felt themselves to be "less important" than those in large cities.

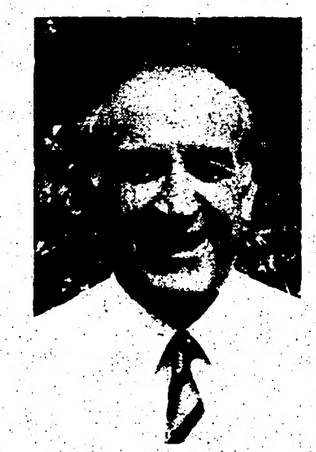
It is important, he observes, to pay more attention to these communities and "to convince them to become potential friends of the JNF."

This is Yardeni's first time abroad as a shaliach and also, except for some brief visits, his first stay in Canada.

So far, he says happily, he likes what he has seen and he is especially gratified, he adds, at the "very warm" welcome extended to him.

A fourth generation sabra born in 1936, Yardeni served 5½ years with the Israel Defence Forces, terminating his service with the rank of captain in the armored communications unit.

He holds a political science degree from the Hebrew University, studied at the London School of Economics and spent most of his life in the tourist business.



Yigal Yardeni

One of the founding members of the Israel Ministry of Tourism, Yardeni was active in the International Congress and Conventions Association, serving as a board member for eight years and as a vice-president. From 1986 until he assumed his post with JNF, he handled international conventions for the Israeli tourist industry.

Yardeni is here with his wife, Eve, the daughter of Rabbi Alexander Altman, who was rabbi and lecturer at the Berlin Rabbinical Seminary until 1938, when he became communal rabbi in Manchester, England and later, professor of Jewish philosophy at Brandeis University. The couple's two children, a son studying at the Hebrew University, and a daughter who has just completed her army service, remain in Israel.

Yardeni plans to intensify all regular JNF activities, such as blue box collections, Tu B'shevat and High Holy Day campaigns and projects related to Negev dinners throughout Ontario's smaller communities.

He "would like to widen the circle of people involved in projects," he says, adding that he believes "it is quite possible" for many of those who are not yet involved to undertake some projects.

Most important of all, "there will be a strong emphasis on education. And I sincerely feel," adds Yardeni, "that it has to start with children."

As a start, a JNF representative from Montreal will visit all Jewish schools in Ontario with a special Tu B'shevat program of films and videos.

A Tu B'shevat Israel trip is planned for Feb. 7 to 19, at the all-inclusive cost of $1,600. "That's very reasonable," says Yardeni.

Some 800 people are expected to join the tour and so far, 65 from Hamilton and 45 from Windsor and London have signed up.

Among projects to be visited are the Rebuilders' of Jerusalem's restoration of the main entrance to Mount Zion, several parks around Jerusalem and Galil Canada 2000 projects.

Although established in 1901, JNF still has the same role today: making Israel green. But, adds Yardeni, "all money received from Jewish communities abroad is spent entirely within the Green Line," i.e., Israel's pre-1967 borders.

"We do not," he emphasizes, "want to get involved in politics."

Will spotlight beneficiaries

Foundation plans birthday

By MYRON LOVE

WINNIPEG — To celebrate its 25th anniversary, the Jewish Foundation of Manitoba has booked the Winnipeg Convention Centre for Sunday, Nov. 5, from 1 to 5 p.m. to publicize its numerous beneficiaries.

The Foundation was established in 1964 by a group of businessmen intent on securing the future of Winnipeg's Jewish community.

As with other charitable foundations, the foundation's principal, amassed through bequests and donations, is invested, and income interest earned on the investments are paid out to beneficiaries.

Thus far, the foundation has paid out $3 million, mainly to local Jewish organizations, although funding has also been given to local non-Jewish non-profit groups and Israeli organizations.

Among the 54 beneficiary organizations scheduled to have booths at the Jewish Foundation's 25th anniversary party are the Jewish Child and Family Services, The Winnipeg Jewish Theatre, the Yiddish Choir, The Royal Winnipeg Ballet, Actor's Showcase, Alzheimer Society, The Children's Hospital Research Foundation, the Canadian Diabetes Association, the CNIB, ORT, the YMHA-Jewish Community Centre, and the Sharon Home.

"This exhibition will allow major organizations receiving foundation grants to demonstrate how monies are used for their programming," said Justice Guy Kroft, general chairman of the 25th anniversary celebration committee.

Representatives of the province and the city will be in attendance, and presentations will be made recognizing the first organizations to receive grants. An audio-visual presentation has been prepared and a 24-page annual report outlining the foundation's history will be on display.

As well, there will be entertainment supplied by the ballet, Contemporary Dancers, the Chai Folk Ensemble, Finjan, Len Udow and others.

Laurie Mainster, the event co-ordinator said this is the first exhibition of this kind ever held in Winnipeg. "There will be something for everybody young and old," he said. "We hope the entire community will come out and discover what is happening in our community."

Money now available to plan health centres

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

The Ontario Ministry of Health has recently made funds available for those communities that want to begin planning community health centres.

"This is a big boost to communities that need this type of centre," says Mark McGuire, executive director, Association of Ontario Health Centres.

McGuire spoke recently at a forum titled How Can Community Health Centres Meet Seniors' Needs sponsored by the Association of Jewish Seniors and held at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue. Other speakers were Fran Brown, past president, People and Organizations in North Toronto (POINT), Michele Harding, President, South Riverdale Community Health Centre and David Reville, MPP and NDP Health Critic.

Harding said that although the basis of a community health centre is primarily health, "it is necessary to address the broader needs of the community as well."

She said that such issues as inadequate housing and poor transportation are "all things that can rob people of the ability to function well in the community."

Harding said that a community health centre should provide communities with the "vehicle to meet your needs the way you want them met."

Brown, who is on the planning board for a community health centre in North Toronto, said that centres should address needs such as geriatric dentistry, personal care and hygene and rest and relief of caregivers.

She added that one function of a community health centre is to identify gaps in service in that community and see that they are filled.

As well, the centre should offer day programs for the frail and disabled elderly in order to enable them to remain at home in their community instead of in an institution.

Reville said "I feel very positive about what communities can do when they come together. I am a passionate advocate of community health centres."

He said that it is a crucial fact that developmental funding for community health centres has been made available. "This is the best time in the history of health centres because the government is ready to listen."

He added that "we must expand health care to not only the treatment of disease but also the prevention of disease."

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Organizations and People

Dr. Fraser Mustard calls Ottawa shortsighted

Research underfunding blasted at Weizmann talk

By
DORIS EPSTEIN

TORONTO —

At the recent annual meeting of the Toronto chapter of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute, guest speaker Dr. Fraser Mustard praised the Institute for its commitment to scientific research, but came down hard on the Canadian government for its reluctance to fund pure research.

The government's attitude, he said, is shortsighted and ultimately damaging economically.

Mustard said that vital innovations in technology, especially in the last 50 years, arose from scientific research, which in turn created a healthy economy. He cited Japan as a "successful marriage of science and technology resulting in prosperity.

"Don't expect a return from scientific research tomorrow," he said. "Societies that don't understand this won't have future prosperity."

According to Mustard, science and technology in Canada is poorly developed compared with other countries.

A founder of the medical school at McMaster University and head of the new Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, Mustard has contributed much to medical research. He is widely recognized as one of the pioneers in studying the role of platelets in atheroschlerosis, thrombosis and hemostasis.

Mustard has been invited to speak at the International Forum on Science and Government which will be held at the Institute in December.

The new president of the Toronto chapter, Dr. Allan Gordon, chose to dispel "certain myths often associated" with the Weizmann Society.

It has been called elitist by many. "It is," he said, "but in the best sense of the word," striving for the best research. "It is not exclusive. We go into the community to bring fresh blood to the organization," said Gordon, chief of neurology at Mount Sinai and Baycrest hospitals.

The myth of bi-annualism — that the Toronto organization "falls asleep except for a dinner once a year is also simply not true. There are year-round ongoing activities," he said.

And finally, the Weizmann Institute has been accused of being parochial. "The science at the Institute is not just Israeli but applies worldwide," he said.

Outgoing president is David Dennis.

This year will mark the beginning of Weizmann Women for Science. Its first event just took place, with its guest the first woman vice-president of the Institute, scientist Ruth Arnon. Broadcaster Isobel Basset hosted the evening, held at the Royal Ontario Museum.

Carol Gordon, co-chairwoman of the women's division with Marion Craig, and wife of the new president, was enthusiastic about the new group.

Its formation is "exciting," she said. "It stemmed from the women who attended (programs) with their husbands. They wanted direct involvement."

Two of the major projects at Weizmann are totally funded by the Canadian Society. They are: The Canadian Institute for Energy and Applied research, which focuses on research into solar energy; and the Canada Centre of Nuclear Physics, which does research into nuclear physics.

A trip to Budapest and Israel is being planned by the Canadian Society of the Institute in November. Included will be visits to the Weizmann in Rehovot where people will meet with key personnel and scientists for insights into the work being done there.

Holocaust survivor Eva Friedrichkeit (with Fritz Friedrichkeit) found her name among the list of victims at Yad Vashem.

Survivor catches grievous mistake

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Eva Friedrichkeit of Toronto was shocked to see herself listed as "dead" in a book at Yad Vashem in Jerusalem when she visited the Holocaust Memorial in August.

She made this error known to Rabbi Joseph Schacter who was in charge. "He became very emotional, as I did. He asked me to circle my name in the book and to write the words "Ich Leibe" (I live) at the bottom of the page."

The Totenbuch (Deadbook) contained the names of Jews who were taken to the Theresienstadt concentration camp. "My father, Max, and mother, Margit, were listed and right under their names was mine, Eva Kardemann. The rabbi was excited because he said it was the first time that he had met someone listed as dead in error," she said.

With the confirmation of their deaths supplied by Mrs. Friedrichkeit, the names of her parents will be added to the Hall of Names at Yad Vashem. "I feel good about that," she said. "It is terrible to think that there are victims who do not have graves and whose names do not appear anywhere."

Rabbi Schacter wrote to her later, stating: "Your visit was a memorable one to us when we were able to make a "T'chias Hamesim" for Eva Kardemann. It is such occasions, as rare as they are, that provide us with a warm feeling we carry around for a long time."

The Yad Vashem Society of Canada (416-223-5511) has forms for people who want names of family put in the Hall of Names in Jerusalem.

Friedrichkeit also found her grandfather's name (Joseph Konig) at Yad Vashem in the Theresienstadt book and also the names of her sister's mother-in-law (Feil Henriette) and a friend's mother (Marianne Schlimper).

Born in Vienna, she was taken to Theresienstadt when she was 20. This is the camp the Germans used as a phoney showplace of how well Jewish inmates were supposedly being treated. Later she was taken to Auschwitz and Mauthausen from which she was released in 1945, at age 23. Her parents died at Auschwitz.

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Venni combines different motifs

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

Angi Venni has taken the same well-travelled route as many other fashion designers — from her mother's closet abroad to her own showroom in Toronto — but she has made a few pit stops along the way.

Venni, 37, began her career in London where she spent three years studying graphic design, sculpture and pottery at Art College. Her art education was followed by a job at a shop that did custom tailoring for 70s pop heros like Rod Stewart, Ringo Starr and Eric Clapton. Venni worked as a sales person and a hand finisher.

In 1972, she made the move from the crazy mecca of pop fashion and her home on Kings Road to the far more conservative Toronto.

An indication of Venni's entrepreneurial ability came to the fore as she started her first company High Sierra which specialized in denim patchwork clothing. This scheme took off and it was easy for her to establish a number of accounts across the country.

Her next endeavor in 1975, Flying Down to Rio, was a retail store that featured antique clothing. This concept was also a hit and resulted in five stores in Canada.

However, still on the lookout for adventure, the designer took her family to Brazil where she ended up importing hockey and baseball shirts and recycled jeans.

Venni returned to Toronto in the late 70s via Los Angeles where she spent a short time silk-screening fabrics and designing for a number of small retailers. Upon her return to the city, Venni has come to settle down to her design/manufacturing operation now located on Wolseley St. in the Queen St. West area.

Her newest line for Fall 89 has kept this jet setter tied down lately and the results are overwhelming. This year the Angi Venni label holds two primary influences — the Spanish theme and the Western feel.

"I love the Sante Fe type of feel as well as the Navajo Mexican influence. At the same time, I'm always looking for what is popular on Queen St. I keep in touch with what is happening on the street because I feel that there is no point in designing something that is going to go against the current trends — it simply won't sell."

For Fall, her line is classic but the key selling points are comfort and easy-care. To begin with, Venni's collection includes knits, jersey and velveteen.

In the knits group, the textured Treebark stitch can be combined with matching separates in a basic flat stitch. Big sweaters, boleros, skirts, pants, and the raglan dress, a Venni classic are available in basic black, hunting red and a moss green.

The return of her cotton jersey, a best-seller for the company, is a welcome addition. Special favorites are an elegant wrap dress and a big jumpsuit to cozy up in during chilly weather. Jersey colors are rich — basic black, havana spruce, sapphire and bordeaux. A classic cardigan and turtleneck have also been added to this group.

Finally, Venni's favorite collection is called Velvetskin. This suede-like material is actually a raised gatorskin print on cotton velveteen. Trimmed in leather, a tailored jacket, vest, jodphur, skirt and trouser are available in black and cognac.

Unusual accessories have been choosen by the designer to complement her line such as the Navajo jewelry, Mexican belts, chiffon scarves, tapestry belts and hair ornaments.

"It is activewear that can be worn to the office," Venni said.

"It fills a gap. I think that is the current way things are going. The styling is easy-to-wear clothing combined with a sexy or elegant look.

"Because I am fairly small, I can change the company to suit the popular look unlike the older, large factories down on Spadina that really can't afford to change with the tide.

"Right now there are quite a few companies that are going under due to the sluggish economy. The industry is going through a weeding out process but that's the way things go — the strong will survive.

"Do I feel that I'm strong? Yes. My business hasn't gone down because of the economy but I have my fingers crossed everyday," she admitted.

The one word that Venni thought adequately described the fashion industry right now was turmoil, but, she said, there are terrific new designers arriving on the scene.

Venni's advice to the newcomers on how to survive?

"Become involved with every part of the operation but make sure you have enough staff. For me, I became so involved with the designing that there were times when I forgot to sit back and take a good look at where my company was going. I say, get out there and do your own thing but start small and build slowly."

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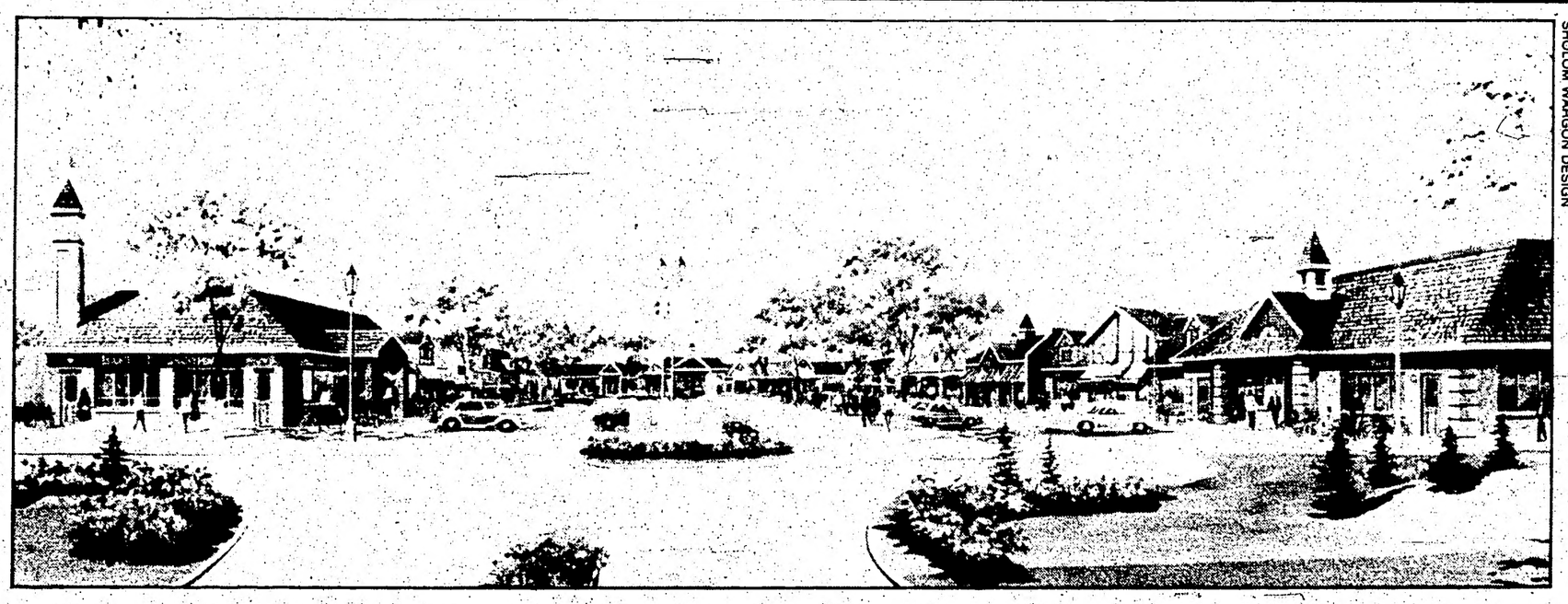

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Bold styles for the young at heart

As it's The CJN's policy to publish stories about garments in the season in which consumers can purchase them, we held back most of our extensive coverage of last spring's Festival of Canadian Fashion. This is the final installment of our coverage.

By
MARIE MOORE

Babel, Hoax, Couture, loucas, Michael Tong and XL headlined a great collection of youthful, downtown dressing in a show sponsored by Judy Welch's Bad Boys and Boomer Printing at The Festival of Canadian Fashion.

Babel's biscuit-and-cream jacket, black pants and avocado shirt created a colorful stir with toggle closures while another short-cropped, mid-calf, cuffed pant was teamed with a single-breasted, unstructured jacket and colorful shirt (contrasting collar).

Vivid greens and mustards, raspberry and white combinations drew applause from the audience.

Hoax Couture introduced single and double-breasted jackets with no- vent backs. Full-legged dress pants were straight-hemmed or cuffed. Soft shoulder, simple, notched lapels in wide to moderate widths and covered buttons were featured on most jackets.

Colors ranged from navy to avocado to raspberry, plum, chocolate, camel and black. Paisley shirts and folkloric prints (including a fleur de lis in pink and Ukrainian tapestry in red) were also shown.

Casual pants were seen with suspenders and multi-pleated fronts or stretched in sporty, bicycle-style spandex fabric that touched the ankle. Denim, black wool coats and outerwear vests created unusual ensembles.

Loucas presented raspberry, camel, tobacco, avocado, navy, red and plum colorations. Argyle prints and stripes enhanced toggled, double-breasted jackets with soft shoulders.

Pants were cuffed and slightly tapered with zipped pockets.

These were followed by pyjama-striped, gray-and-taupe suitings highlighted with mustard print ties and large, contrasting buttons. Next, brownberry was lined and dotted with black

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Michael Tong's shearling jacket with fur-trimmed shawl collar (above) zips shut in a vest-like style. Babel's vest featuring a pocket flap is teamed with pleated pants. (M-J Crete photos)

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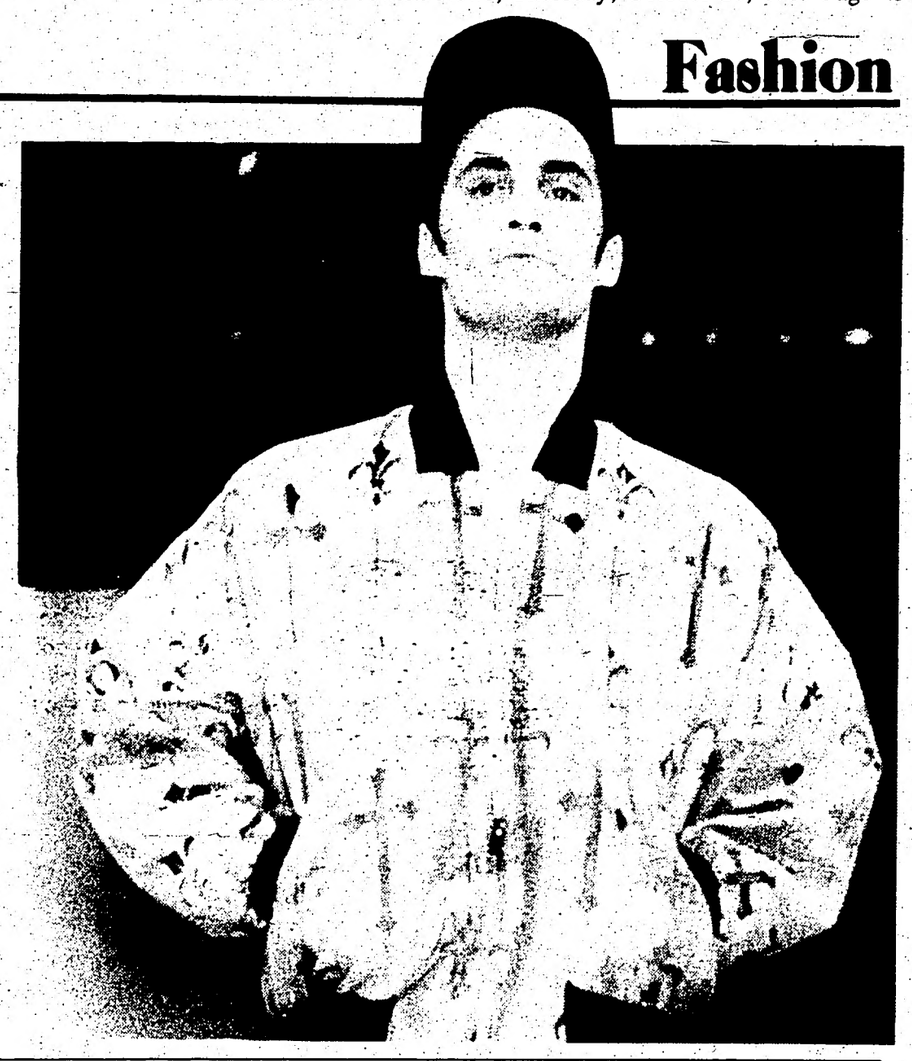

Michael Tong's collection of men's wear (left) includes leather and wool coats, shirts, jackets, and pants. Tong, noted for his modern look, has included classic lines in his Fall line. Hoax Couture's pink-and-camel printed jacket has a ribbed collar, cuffs and waistband. The jacket features a softer shoulder line. The pants are pleated and cuffed.

Tong's spectrum widens to include classic looks

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in a grouping that included long jackets with dotted lapels and waist accents.

Persimmons and chocolate brown layered in soft-shouldered jackets; classic notched-lapel trenchcoats; vested over-shirts and cropped pants. Salmon highlighted some of the shirts — giving an even softer feel to the already constructed silhouette.

Tong has extended his fashion spectrum to include more classic looks. His forest green, crushed grape, raspberry, royal blue and black combinations are rich in color and texture.

This grouping features a multi-pleated pant which is extremely loose on the leg and slightly tapered at the angle as well as jackets with wide, notched lapels.

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Striped shirting, simple turtleneck sweaters and high-necked collars, which contrast in color with their solid base, round out the shirt story.

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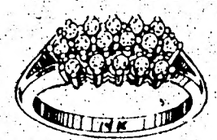
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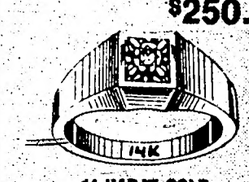
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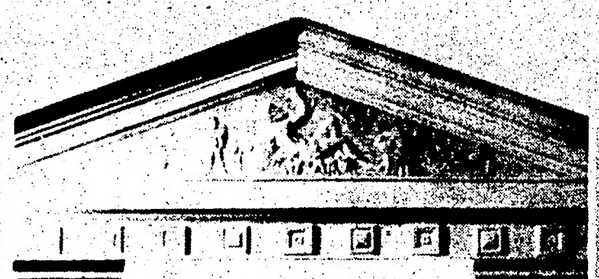
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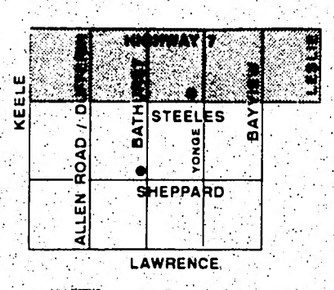

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Arts

Devoid of humanity and meaning

Masquerades fail to cover up flaws in The Man I Love

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

Samuel Johnson, the sexist philosopher of the 18th century, once told his biographer James Boswell, "Sir, a woman preaching is like a dog's walking on his hind legs. It is not done well; but you are surprised to find it done at all."

I thought of his chauvinist remark while watching Toronto actress Tanja Jacobs star in the one-woman show, *The Man I Love* (running until Nov. 5 at the Tarragon Theatre, 30 Bridgman Ave., 531-1827).

What surprised me is that she had attempted what is probably the most difficult feat in the theatre: to enact a 90-minute monologue without an intermission.

The only actor I know who successfully did it was Eric Peterson starring in the one-man tour de force, *Double Bass*, at the Tarragon four years ago.

Tanja Jacobs stars in one-woman show The Man I Love, billed as a German fairy tale, at the Tarragon Theatre.

Jacobs, winner of a Dora Award as best actress last season, now demonstrates once again that she is a performer of great versatility. But, alas, her vehicle is no tour de force of stagecraft, and Jacobs is partly to blame.

True story

She and German actress Lore Brunner collaborated in translating *The Man I Love* from the German of Brechtian playwright Manfred Karge. Formerly with Brecht's famous Berliner Ensemble, Karge came to Toronto to direct this new English version of his 1982 play.

Billed as a German fairy tale, it's based on the true story of a crane operator's widow who assumes the identity and job of her late husband for the sake of economic survival. The masquerader even went so far as to marry another woman, a widow with two children.

But Karge, the East German Socialist, had more in mind than dramatizing a bizarre tale. In a 90-minute monologue, he intended to compress the "life of Germany," reflecting its history over the decades since the 1930s when Hitler seized power.

Unfortunately, that social significance is missing from Jacobs' disappointing portrayal of the man/woman character named Max. In a program note, Jacobs writes that before embarking on the translation, she went to East Berlin.

"I visited two concentration camps," she says. "I contemplated evil and brutality and sadism."

However, the full horror of the Holocaust is glossed over in her script. Instead, her Max, disguised in a fake droopy moustache and wearing Chaplinesque baggy pants, indulges in 90 minutes of madcap buffoonery and mimicry. For no apparent reason, he/she sings pop songs, recites from Snow White, imitates soap opera voices on TV, and pretends to be a panting bloodhound.

It's all a very clever bag of actor's tricks, but devoid of humanity and meaning. Even on a personal level, Max, who is supposed to be a sympathetic survivor, proves to be a snarky and unlovable character. I would have preferred to see Samuel Johnson's dog walking on its hind legs.

Fonda misses mark in Old Gringo

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

What is Jane Fonda doing in *Old Gringo*?

Fonda is a fine actress who chooses her scripts carefully. But it's obvious that her judgment failed her in this misbegotten film.

Worse still, Fonda can take responsibility for having shepherded *Old Gringo* through its various production stages. It was her movie, her idea.

Based on a novel by the distinguished Carlos Fuentes, *Old Gringo* suffers badly in the retelling. Often, it's muddled and meaningless, signifying nothing.

It brings together three characters swept up by the 1913 Mexican revolution — Harriet Winslow, an American spinster who loses her virginity in a burst of passion (Fonda); Ambrose Bierce (Gregory Peck), a famed journalist who's on his last adventurous fling, and Tomas Arroyo (Jimmy Smits), a young, dashing Mexican general who personifies the yearnings of his people for freedom and dignity, but whom power corrupts.

The cliches are hauled up from an oft-used well. Horses neigh wildly during battle; soldiers fall heroically from ramparts; scruffy, disreputable Mexican cowboys strum guitars and sing sweetly; a prostitute with a heart as soft as mush waives her usual fee in honor of an unusual, elderly customer.

Old Gringo, **now playing at Cineplex Odeon theatres, is a mess. It doesn't develop linearly, for which it could be forgiven if it had any redeeming features, and the acting is problematical.**

Fonda is 35 or 51, depending on the camera angle. But to be completely fair about it, she's a stunning lady, whether she's 35 or 51. Since her role calls for it, she's usually sexless. But when she climbs into bed with her Mexican lover, she awakens, as if from a dream.

Peck waxes philosophic throughout the film, without having any telling impact on a viewer. It can be classified as one of his poorest performances — which is a great pity, for Peck is deservedly a star.

Smits struts around in a mean mood, glowering with perspiration, a parody of a Latin warrior.

After fitfully sitting through *Old Gringo*, a $25 million bomb, I'm amazed that Fonda could have been so wrongheaded about a project. It may not have been ill-conceived, but it in terms of execution, it's execrable.

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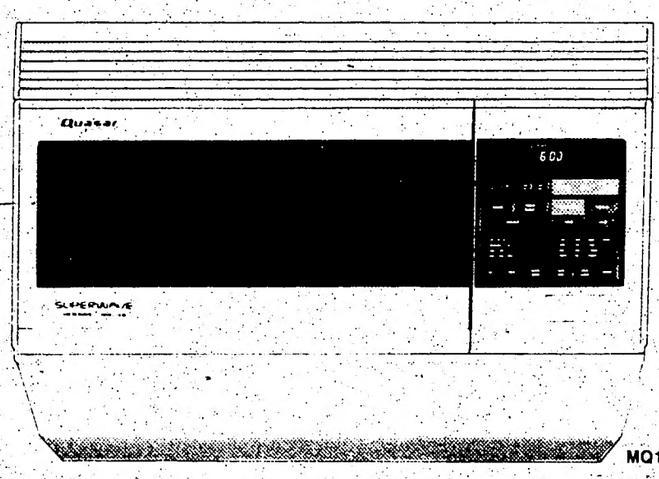

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Season opener at Young People's Theatre

Bernstein believable in Groundworld Adventure

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Though she is in her 20s, Karen Bernstein makes her role as 8-year-old Miranda thoroughly believable in Groundworld Adventure, the play which opened the Young People's Theatre season recently.

It continues to Nov. 5 with performances at 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Other performances through the week are held for school groups only.

Groundworld Adventure is by Jim Betts and is the fifth play he has written for this innovative theatre company. Miranda is a sensitive girl and she is able to change her playground to a fantasy land peopled by sprites, hobgoblins and a sorceress. Talk about adventure! The set design by Michael Eagan is worth the price of admission alone, because it works for both the real playground and the one in Miranda's mind.

Scrap (Cliff Saunders) and Miranda (Karen Bernstein) enter into the other world of their playground in Jim Bett's latest adventure play for Young People's Theatre, The Groundworld Adventure.

I thought the play's most engaging moments came when Miranda and Scrap (Cliff Saunders), her reluctant companion on the fantasy trips, were alone on stage. Though opposite to Miranda in every way, Scrap is nevertheless attracted to her. "What is it with you, do you read books, or something?" Scrap asks. He's the kind of kid you would like living next door, he's so 200 per cent normal.

Betts uses strong brush strokes to paint the background of Miranda's relations with her mother (Kyra Harper) and with other kids on the street.

I wish director Maja Ardal had cut down on the frantic chases and mayhem and let more of the story come through. The changes which come about in Miranda are intriguing and deserve more space.

The play is recommended for age 6 and up.

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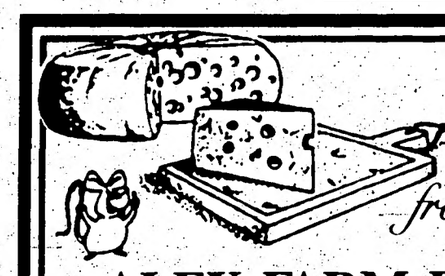
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Frightening chapter in U.S. history

Right-wing group examined

books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

The SILENT BROTHERHOOD By Kevin Flynn and Gary Gerhardt; Collier MacMillan Canada Inc., $31.95.

On the night of June 18, 1984, Alan Berg, an abrasive and outspoken Jewish host of a popular radio show in Denver, Colo., was gunned down by a group of racists. Berg's was the first name on a list of prominent Jews and liberals who were slated for assassination.

The killers were members of The Order, or The Silent Brotherhood, a cadre of zealous racists, recruited from such American hate groups as Aryan Nations and the Klan.

The Silent Brotherhood, formed in September 1983, by Robert Mathews, became over the next 15 months the most dangerous right-wing group since the Ku Klux Klan first rode more than a century earlier. The aim of the Brotherhood was to carve out a separate nation in the Pacific Northwest. Violently anti-Semitic, the group referred to the American government as the Zionist Occupation Government (ZOG). Mathews wanted to confiscate Jewish property and "link Klansmen, neo-Nazis, survivalists, tax protesters, militant farmers, identity churches and other groups whose unifying characteristic was distrust of the government."

Raising the flag for race, family and religion, the Silent Brotherhood fought an unremitting and bitter battle against the enemy: Communists, Jews, Blacks and other "aliens."

In April, 1984, members of the Order bombed a synagogue in Boise, Idaho. The resulting blast caused a minor furor, but did little damage.

Bent on revolution, the militant members of the group — never numbering more than 30 — amassed millions of dollars through armored car robberies. They engaged in a counterfeiting operation, collected an armory of diverse weapons and set up a training camp for Aryan warriors.

Eventually the FBI infiltrated the Order and apprehended the criminals after a bullet-strewn siege near Seattle. It was the largest FBI operation ever in the Pacific Northwest. Mathews, heavily armed, refused to surrender and met a fiery death in the house where he had barricaded himself. Most of the members of the Silent Brotherhood received long prison terms. The revolution was over.

The authors, veteran reporters for the Rocky Mountain News in Denver, deftly describe how seemingly ordinary citizens can be seduced into a violent way of life. They depict the formative experiences of those who join neo-Nazi groups and provide rich insights about the frustrations and hatreds of the disaffected.

The authors sum up their meticulously researched account in this way: "A group of people deeply dissatisfied with the American way of life had gone so far as to form a racist underground. That it was better organized in their imaginations than in the field is of little solace. They were not criminals, with very limited exceptions, but rather ordinary people . . . They simply emerged, under the catalytic Robert Mathews, from a fairly indeterminate pool of disturbed folk who wanted to protect their insular existence from threatening changes."

Some readers will find disturbing the dialogue which the authors have imaginatively reconstructed and the somewhat disjointed nature of the narrative. But this is a necessary book about a frightening chapter in recent American history. That it is also captivating reading adds to its effectiveness.

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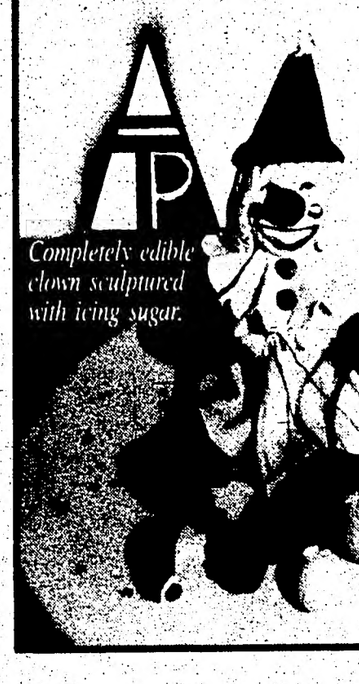
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Arts

New Walker play misses level of previous works

By
FRANK RASKY

TORONTO —

It pains me to report that Canada's sovereign playwright, George F. Walker, has come a cropper in his newest play.

It's the polemical satire, *Love And Anger* (running until Nov. 5 at the Factory Theatre, 125 Bathurst St. at Adelaide, 864-9971).

Walker's last play, *Nothing Sacred*, deservedly won the Governor-General's Award last season, and his hilarious, swashbuckling comedy, *Zastrozzi*, has been staged internationally in 40 productions since the Factory Theatre originally mounted it in 1987.

In the spirit of his *Beautiful City*, which I found disappointing, Walker's new work continues his crusade against greedy land developers who have turned a nameless Toronto-like city into a metropolis fit only for "real estate agents and baseball fans."

Walker's heart may be in the right place, but I regret to say that his anger has overwhelmed his wit. As a result, both the crusaders and the villains in *Love And Anger* are overblown caricatures, and the action is an unbelievable blend of preachy melodrama and slambang farce.

His chief target is John (Babe) Conner, portrayed by Stratford Festival actor Benedict Campbell as the blustering publisher of a "fascist rag," who virtually sobs in frustration when called a Nazi to his face.

Chief crusader

The chief crusader is an improbable Don Quixote, a sawed-off runt of a lawyer named Petie Maxwell (Peter Blais, a veteran of many Walker comedies). After suffering from a stroke, which has damaged part of his brain, Petie has had a spiritual "rebirth;" he is determined to topple the city's money-hungry power barons.

His aides in the campaign are his spinsterish, loyal but long-suffering secretary, Eleanor (Clare Coulter) and Eleanor's "incurably insane" sister, Sarah (Nancy Beatty).

There are some intermittent flashes of humor in the first act when Petie's forces clash with Conner and his amorally unctious lawyer who is running for political office (oozing with hypocrisy as beautifully played by Hardee T. Lineham).

Unfortunately, the play degenerates in the second act into rough-and-tumble brawling and sermonizing that is a very broad burlesque of reality.

With just about everybody in the cast screeching their lines, as ineptly directed by Walker himself, *Love And Anger* is cursed with too little love and too much rage masquerading as sincere anger.

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Jenkins shines as singer, actress in Bye Bye Blues

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Bye Bye Blues, a solid, middle-of-the-road film written and directed by Anne Wheeler, celebrates spunk in the face of adversity.

Daisy Cooper (Rebecca Jenkins), the wife of a Canadian army doctor (Michael Ontkean) stationed in India during the Second World War, is shattered when her husband informs her that she must go back home because he's being transferred to Singapore.

Life in British India hasn't been bad for Daisy, a pregnant mother of a sweet boy (Chad Krowchuk) who has all the advantages of a white, middle-class woman in the Third World. Never mind the cobra under her bathtub as she bathes luxuriantly. Snakes come with the territory.

Examines young woman's liberation

As Wheeler's film opens, Daisy, clad in a terrycloth bathrobe, runs for her life as the cobra hisses menacingly. It's an amusing scene — although it can be faulted for being totally unoriginal.

Exiled to her parents' (Kate Reid and Leslie Yeo) farm in Illington, Alberta, Daisy is plunged into boredom and longing for her husband, a Japanese prisoner of war. What is she to do in rural Alberta?

Bye Bye Blues, which premiered at the Festival of Festivals and is now playing at Famous Players theatres, answers that question in short order.

A dance band leader and family acquaintance, Slim Godfrey (Stuart Margolin), reluctantly hires her on a one-time basis. Daisy can play the piano reasonably well and her singing voice is fetching. By and by, she joins the Stardusters, a band which wends its way through rural Alberta in the waning years of the war.

***Bye Bye Blues* is thus about the liberation of a formerly unliberated woman from her straitlaced parents and from an ethos which held that females should be barefoot, pregnant and in the kitchen. It's obviously a theme with which many filmgoers will identify and appreciate.**

Bye Bye Blues is also about loyalty. When Max (Luke Reilly), a handsome member of the Stardusters, professes his admiration and love for Daisy, she resists his amorous advances, being loyal to her absentee husband. But later, when her brother ruefully asks whether she's slept with Max, she's uncharacteristically quiet. Has Daisy committed adultery? It's left to the viewer's judgment.

In any case, Daisy's connection with her faraway husband wears thin as the film heads toward its somewhat anti-climatic climax: She can't "imagine" him in her dreams anymore, and she's at a loss for words when she sits down to write him a letter.

Rebecca Jenkins is the glue which keeps *Bye Bye Blues* humming and intact. She's a wonderful singer, her voice soothing and brittle, and she's no slouch whatsoever as an actress.

The others in the cast, notably Reilly and Krowchuk (Daisy's five-year-old son), are more than competent.

Vic Sarin's cinematography is evocative. His prairie sunrises and sunsets evoke the perfect rhythms of nature, while his cameo shot of draught horses pulling a plow across a summer field is an artistic statement in itself.

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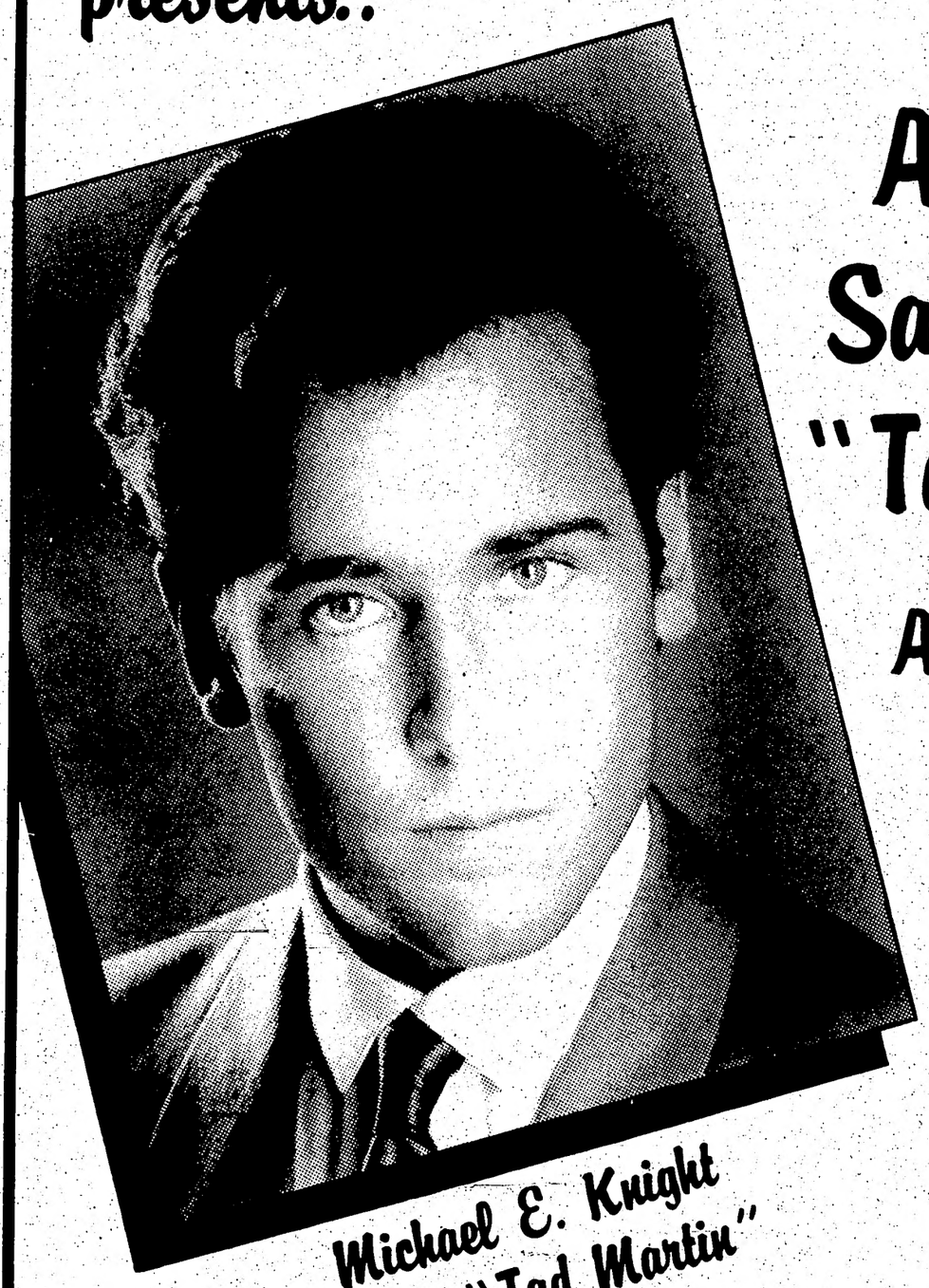

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Arts

Leaves viewers with sense of disappointment

Black Rain is thrilling but a bit too formulistic

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

Stanley Jaffe and Sherry Lansing brought *Fatal Attraction*, that steamy, commercially successful potboiler blending adultery and murder, to the screen. Now they're back with *Black Rain*, a thriller set mainly in Japan.

Directed by the redoubtable Ridley Scott (*Alien* and *Blade Runner*), and starring Michael Douglas and Andy Garcia, *Black Rain* is obviously a film of some pedigree. The talent is there, but where is the payoff?

Now playing at Famous Players theatres, *Black Rain* rarely rises above the level of a pedestrian thriller, leaving a viewer with a sense of lingering disappointment.

Nick Conklin (Douglas) is a divorced New York City detective who's buried under bills — alimony, private schools for his kids. He's a rough, tough, ethically questionable character who races his motorcycle at breakneck speeds.

He and his gentler partner, Charlie Vincent (Garcia), must deliver Sato (Yusaku Matsuda), a ruthless underworld figure, to Japan. Through subterfuge, Sato escapes shortly after the plane lands in Osaka, making the Americans look like fools. Incensed and embarrassed, Nick and Charlie stay on, determined to track down Sato.

The pair are teamed up with a taciturn, reflective Japanese cop (Ken Takakura). As they delve deeper into the case, which involves gangland rivalries over a counterfeiting operation, Nick encounters a blonde, sultry American nightclub hostess (Kate Capshaw) who reluctantly helps him.

Black Rain, **which takes its title from the horrific fallout of the atomic bombs dropped on two Japanese cities by the U.S. in 1945, is violent (the bad guys are merciless), foul-mouthed (the expletives never cease) but visually interesting.**

Ridley's Japan is an industrial behemoth, a cold, impersonal, expansive, murky urban landscape of multi-colored skyscrapers, flashing neon lights, arching expressways and suffocatingly teeming streets. Is it a prescient vision of the future? Who knows?

The Japanese in *Black Rain* are mostly inscrutable Orientals who grunt rather than speak. Nick never quite figures them out. They might as well be aliens from Mars. But then, foreigners in Japan are supposedly considered less than kosher. It's a closed society, the smiles and the surface courtesies notwithstanding.

Nick, too, never grasps the arcane notion of "honor" among Japanese criminals. It simply defies his imagination. It's culture shock — which is what this film sometimes documents quite effectively.

Although it resounds to the usual thrills and spills, *Black Rain* is a bit too pat, too formulistic, to be any better than average. As a result, the twists and turns are usually less than surprising, and the climaxes are more or less contrived.

Douglas, as usual, is fine. Here, he's crude, rude, vulgar and unkempt, a sad representative of the world's greatest superpower. Garcia is light and engaging. Takakura is ponderous and sensitive. Matsuda burns with malevolence, while Capshaw is hardly more than a convenient sexual object.

Black Rain, **no doubt, will prosper at the box office. But it won't be remembered as a memorable example of its genre.**

Art works of Schildkraut-Folman touring Poland at govt. invitation

By
BILL GLADSTONE

TORONTO —
Ellen Schildkraut-Folman, a Jewish artist born in Poland after the war, visited there recently for the first time in 30 years. She returned with mixed feelings.

A graduate of the Ontario College of Art and the mother of two daughters, Schildkraut-Folman, a Torontonian, is one of five artists in a group called the Polish-Canadian Assembly of Fine Artists whose art is touring Poland at the invitation of the Polish government. The only Jewish artist in the group, she painted six of the 37 canvases in the touring collection.

She describes her work as falling into a style known as "hard edge." Acrylic on canvas, her paintings are abstract, geometric, and usually dark colors and straight lines.

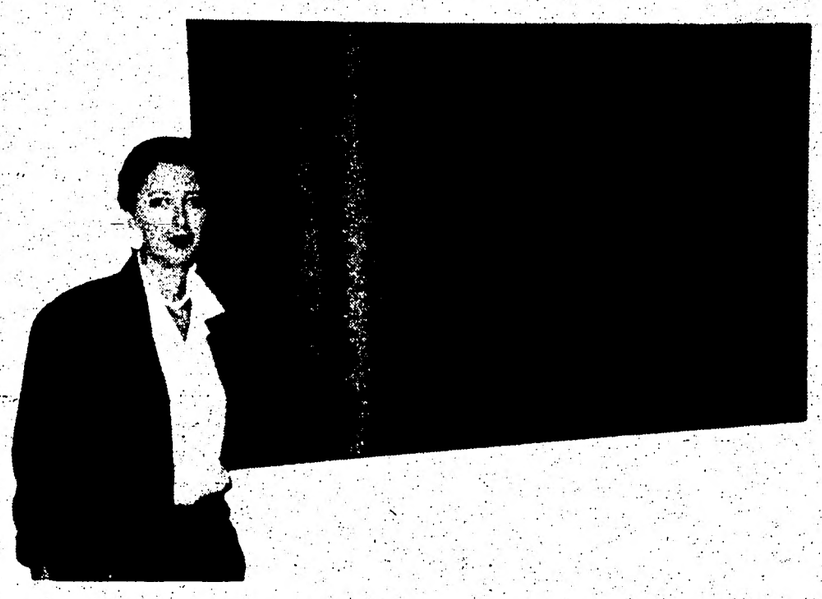
Although the artist missed the opening of the Polish-Canadian exhibition in Warsaw, she was on hand when the collection opened at a second location, in Bultisk Castle near Warsaw. The canvases will be seen in at least six Polish cities before the show's scheduled closing late in October.

The return to the land of her birth was "very interesting," she said. "It's very difficult to talk about it.

"It's depressing," she said, referring to the long line-ups that form daily for the staples of living like meat, milk, sugar and fresh vegetables. "The way of life is extremely hard, and it shows on people's faces when you walk down the street. They look despondent, depressed. You can feel it."

One difference she noticed in the Poland of today is that the Poles talk freely about their discontent. "People aren't afraid to say something, to voice complaints. That wasn't the case when I was growing up, when people were afraid to say anything bad about the government — they didn't dare."

Schildkraut-Folman, who speaks Polish and Russian fluently, said that people frequently commented that she didn't look Polish. "It felt so good to be able to tell them that I am Jewish," she said, "and not have to worry about the repercussions."



Artist's abstract canvas is of the kind touring Poland.

Modern Poles "readily seem to try very hard to go out of their way to be nice to the Jews," she commented. "That's on the one hand. Then you hear about what's been happening recently at Auschwitz."

Schildkraut-Folman's work has been displayed in numerous group and solo exhibitions in Toronto and Israel, where the artist and her husband, a physician, lived between 1970 and 1973. Several of her paintings are displayed at the Yad Lebanim Museum in Petah Tikvah, Israel.

Schildkraut-Folman is one of 42 Ontario artists from diverse cultural backgrounds to participate in a recent show at Queen's Park.

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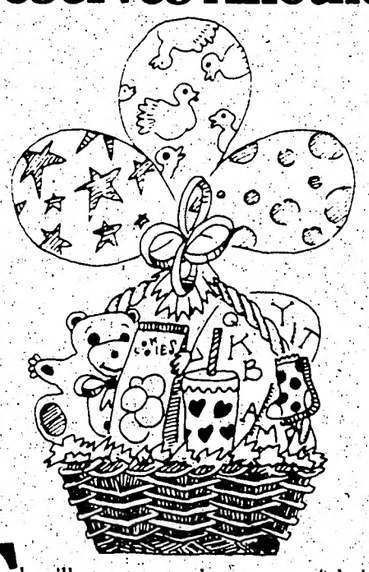

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Visitors to New York can see many cultural events

By
ROSE KLEINER

NEW YORK —
Fall visitors to New York, if they sample even a small part of its cultural life, will find themselves greatly enriched.

The award-winning Jewish Repertory Theater starts its new season in November with a musical folktale, *The Witch*. This play was written by Abraham Goldfaden almost a century ago.

Paddy Chayefsky's *The Tenth Man* opens Nov. 10, at Lincoln Center's Beaumont Theater, and The Merchant of Venice (with Dustin Hoffman as Shylock) opens Dec. 14, at the 46th Street Theater.

Until the end of December you can enjoy two programs at the Lower East Side Tenement Museum (97 Orchard St.). Both try to recapture life on the Lower East Side in the early part of this century. *Family Matters: An Immigrant Memoir* recreates a day in the life of an actual immigrant family. The Peddler's Pack Walking Tour covers a typical 1910 Lower East Side neighborhood. Both programs run on Sundays, one at noon, the other at 2 p.m.

An exhibit which focuses on Italian Jewry's rich artistic heritage is now on view at the Jewish Museum. *Gardens and Ghettos: The Art of Jewish Life in Italy* focuses on the visual and performing arts, and on literature.

The History of Asian Jews can be seen in a permanent exhibition at the American Museum of Natural History. It includes Jewish ceremonial and folk art objects from the sixth through the 19th centuries.

Turn-of-the-century Rosh Hashanah post cards and Judaica treasures are on view, until Nov. 26, at the museum in Riverdale's Hebrew Home for the Aged.

The 92nd St. Y continues to offer various interesting tours of the city. This fall's tours of ethnic New York explore Greek culture and history (Dec. 3) and Japanese Theater Arts (Dec. 10).

The Y has two tours of Jewish interest on Nov. 12. The first, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., will explore the Lower East Side. This tour includes a visit to Shapiro's Winery, and ends with lunch at Ratner's. The second tour, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., goes to Jewish Harlem. The Y also has a tour of Jewish Williamsburg on Nov. 19.

For accommodation in the heart of Manhattan the area along Park Avenue offers a residential setting, with proximity to all the city's attractions. A stay at the legendary Waldorf Astoria, on Park Avenue, with its elegant rooms, and striking lobby, can be as much part of the New York experience as a stroll down Fifth Avenue.

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Another of New York's grand hotels, the Inter-Continental, is situated across the street from the Waldorf. Built on a smaller scale, and restored at a cost of $50 million, this establishment has a charming and warm ambience which make it very popular with visitors.

For a touch of Switzerland in New York there is the Drake Swissotel, somewhat to the north on Park Avenue. Swiss hospitality here is noted in many ways, starting with the fishbowl of Swiss chocolates that greets visitors in the lobby.

The New York City Opera, at Lincoln Center, features the *Merry Widow*, *La Traviata*, *the Mikado* and *Carmen* in the first week of November; the *Desert Song*, in the second week; and Ravel's *L'Heure Espagnole* in the third week. Sets and costumes in the latter have been designed by Maurice Sendak.

Israel's top pop superstar, David Broza, will perform at the 92nd St. Y on Dec. 17. Among the many musical programs at the Merkin Concert Hall, at Abraham Goodman House, will be a presentation of songs of German-speaking Jews (Nov. 16), a program entitled African Troubadors (Nov. 18), a Beethoven Society string quartet festival (Nov. 19), and an evening of Korean art songs (Nov. 26).

New York's Carnegie Hall, which begins its centennial season next year (Tchaikovsky conducted on opening night), will present the chamber music of Brahms on Dec. 10 and 11, with such stars as Isaac Stern, Yo Yo Ma and Emanuel Ax.

The New York Philharmonic, at Lincoln Center's Avery Fisher Hall (now offering large-type and Braille service to visually-limited patrons), will play music by Mousorgsky, Shostakovich and Sibelius on Nov. 16, Ravel on Dec. 1, and Beethoven's Symphony No. 9 on Dec. 21, to name but a few of the many fall concerts scheduled.

There is an abundance of dance performances in New York this fall. The Bessie Schonberg Theater will present, from Nov. 16 to 18, *The Kabbalah*, a work based on Jewish mystical traditions.

One of the highlights of the art season this fall is the Velazquez exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, in collaboration with Spain's Prado Museum. *Picasso and Braque: Pioneering Cubism* is the fall exhibit at the Museum of Modern Art this fall.

At the YIVO Institute, on Fifth Avenue and up the street from the Metropolitan Museum of Art, you can see paintings by Rachel Ray Faust until Dec. 22. Faust's work was previously displayed in New York at the Jewish Museum and the Whitney Museum, and at the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C.

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By
PHIL FINE

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MIAMI —

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The vessel, renamed Viking Serenade will proceed to a two-week dry dock for refurbishment before its transfer to the Royal Caribbean fleet.

Beginning Jan. 27, 1990, Viking Serenade will offer seven-night cruises every Saturday through late May from Los Angeles to the Mexican Riviera ports of Puerto Vallarta, Mazatlan and Cabo San Lucas. Prices for this itinerary begin at $995 per person, including airfare from most North American gateways. A $250 per person travel allowance is available to passengers not requiring round-trip air transportation to Los Angeles.

In late May 1990, Viking Serenade will reposition to Vancouver for a summer season of seven-night Alaska cruises departing Sundays to the ports of Juneau, Skagway, Haines and Ketchikan. This itinerary will also include an entire afternoon sailing past the glaciers of Tracy Arm Fjord as well as a cruise through Misty Fjord. Prices for the 1990 Alaska season will begin at $995 per person. Air supplements will be available for all Alaska sailings.

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B.C. "coal town" has deep-sea harbor and panoramic views

By
EARLE BEATTIE

NANAIMO —

One of British Columbia's least advertised cities is Nanaimo, just across from Vancouver by ferry from Horseshoe Bay or Tsawwassen.

Nanaimo is a city of 50,000 on the Strait of Georgia, with panoramic views of the city from the hills that overlook it. The coast mountains are often visible and on many nights the lights of the city of Vancouver can be seen on the horizon, 35 miles away.

For a century from 1852, Nanaimo was "coal town," coal ships refuelled at points around it until 1952 when the industry died. Today the industries are tourism, forestry products and fishing. The city has become a major distribution centre for Central Vancouver Island. At Departure Bay is the Pacific Biological Station, the largest fisheries research facility in Canada, with a staff of 200.

Like most Vancouver Island communities, Nanaimo is a waterfront city with a deep-sea harbor and many marinas and their thousands of pleasure boats. The harbor area is sheltered by the Gulf Islands in Georgia Strait — Gabriola, the most northerly of the Gulf Islands, Newcastle Island, which is a provincial marine park, and Protection Island, a residential development.

The city sponsors an annual bathtub race where boats and all manner of craft make their way across the Strait to Vancouver. It started in 1967 and now draws entrants from as far as Australia and, of course, all around B.C.

The annual Nanaimo Festival, which began seven years ago, will expand from six weeks to nine next year. It will feature four plays, all Nanaimo creations. The Dunsmuirs will return for a third year and will be joined by Spit Delaney's Island, Alma Victoria and Black Apples.

The Nanaimo area's mild climate and sheltered waters ensure a pleasant stay. Summer visitors to Snake Island can see the seals abound. Visitors can come close enough to touch the unique sandstone cliffs of Gabriola Island. Elephant Rock and Dragon's Mouth are two of the natural wonders near the mouth of Dodd Narrows.

Visitors driving south along the main coastal highway can stop within 40 miles of Victoria to see one of the world's highest totem poles. It's in the heart of Duncan, a town with 22 majestic poles on display, 11 of which can be seen from the highway. In 1986, the Islands International Carvers Exchange invited a Maori craftsman to visit Duncan and carve alongside local Indian artisans. His distinctive work now overlooks the City Hall fountain; it is called *Te Swhio Whio* (The King of the Cedar Forest). In return, a local Indian carving was presented as a gift to Duncan's sister city, Kaikohe, New Zealand.

Nanaimo is also a favorite spot for retirement. The senior citizens' complex at Bowen Park at the heart of Nanaimo offers organized activities from lawn bowling to ballroom dancing, all facilitated by the mild weather. Besides Nanaimo Regional Hospital there are two intermediate care facilities, a new health care unit and over 100 physicians and surgeons practicising in the area. The price of housing is favorable too, compared to Toronto.

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Business Outlook

Free trade in Europe

Israeli companies await 1992

By
JUDY MALTZ

JERUSALEM (JPFS) — When he talks about 1992, Osem's Dan Propper likes to quote the head of another giant food concern, the U.S.-based Heinz: "1992 is coming. We just don't know when."

These words sum up much of the anxiety and confusion many Israeli industrialists feel about that critical date, when Europe is to become one united free trade bloc. For it is still not clear whether the international economy will undergo a revolution on the morning of Jan. 1, 1993 or — probably more likely — whether the unification process will be gradual. Even more important, it is still not clear how all this will affect countries outside Europe, like Israel.

The best policy, some Israeli companies have decided, is to wait and see. In their eyes, there's no use taking any dramatic steps when it's not yet clear whether the new legislation adopted by the European Commission will apply to Israel, and if so, to what extent.

Others have clearly been plagued by fears of being left out in the cold in 1992 and losing their foothold in Israel's most important export market. These companies are beginning to think about how best to secure their position in the European market. Some are drawing up draft proposals, others are making contacts in Europe with companies in similar lines of business, still others are already entering into formal negotiations with potential partners.

The lucky few who saw the writing on the wall years ago are today not overly concerned about the prospects of a so-called "fortress Europe;" they ensured their foothold in the market either by forming partnerships with European companies or by setting up or buying factories and marketing offices in Europe. Still, they are following developments in Europe very closely in order to keep up to date on any new legislation that may affect them.

One such company is Israel Chemicals, the largest state-owned industrial enterprise, which already has three fertilizer-production bases in Europe — two in Germany and one in Holland.

ICL's Yuval Niv, responsible for gathering information and planning policy related to 1992, says his company began buying European companies years ago, because it realized that 1992 would be a long, drawn-out process.

"It's not as if from that date onwards the whole world will turn upside down. This process has been going on for years."

In order to coordinate its European activities better, ICL merged all of its European companies together two years ago. About a month ago, it also merged the Negev-based Rotem Fertilizers with its European operations. This move, according to Niv, is designed "to ensure that our quality and standards are uniform throughout Europe."

ICL being careful

Unlike most other Israeli companies, Niv explains, ICL has to be careful because it is a very dominant factor in the European market. It controls 50 per cent of the market for bromide compounds, about 10 per cent of the market for fertilizers and 10 per cent of the market for periclase.

It must, therefore, take special pains not to offend the authorities by violating any of the new laws which, Niv says, are designed specifically to protect smaller European companies. In particular, this means making sure that the quality of its products meets the strictest possible standards.

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The unification of standards around the continent is the aspect of 1992 that will have the most dramatic effect on Israeli industrialists.

This, at least, is the opinion of Uri Menashe, head of a special sub-committee set up by the Manufacturers Association to deal with preparing industry for 1992. He notes that Israel will, in any event, not be affected by the elimination of import duties, since its products already enter the EC duty-free.

The harmonization of all European standards, Menashe says, will especially affect pharmaceuticals, electrical appliances, metals and food. But, he cautions, it is still unclear whether Israeli companies will be able to take advantage of the new special certificates that will be provided to European companies whose standards meet the new requirements.

"We have no contacts with the authorities responsible for the new standards, nor do we have any way of influencing them," he said. "All we can do is try to get as much information as possible about what direction they're heading in."

Menashe cites another nebulous aspect of 1992: government procurements — which will particularly affect defence, energy and telecommunications companies. Under the new EC legislation, government tenders will be open to bids from other countries, but it's not clear whether this will only include European countries, or countries outside the community as well.

What is clear, says Menashe, is that any company taking part in these tenders will have to prove that a set portion of its product is manufactured in Europe.

"This means that Israeli companies have to begin thinking about setting up joint ventures or establishing factories in Europe, which the Americans and Japanese now are doing in a big way. Maybe the brains and R&D will remain here, but part of the production will have to take place there."

Mike Shalit, marketing manager of ECI Telecom, says his company, which relies on Europe for about a third of its exports, is taking the issue of "local content" seriously.

"We're making all kinds of arrangements, and specifically, we're seeking strategic alliances with European companies in order to manufacture in Europe."

A company that already has a production facility in Western Europe but is seeking to further strengthen its foothold on the continent is Teva Pharmaceuticals. A major supplier of generic drugs to the American market, Teva now is investigating whether its marketing strategy in the United States can be transferred to Europe, says the company's financial director, Dan Suesskind.

In the early 1980s, Teva hired a large international consulting firm to advise it on how to expand its export activities. The firm recommended that it concentrate on the U.S. market, where drug registration procedures were simpler, and that it

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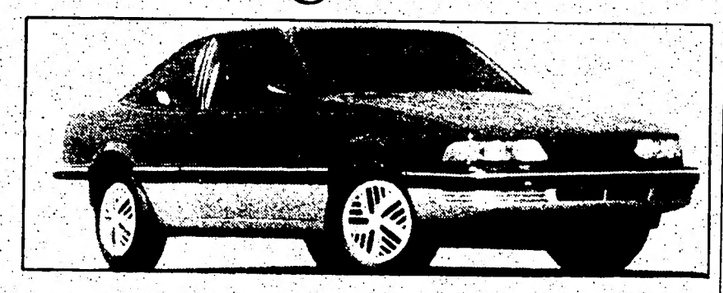
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Business Outlook

Joint ventures a possibility

Israel restricting monopolies

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enter into a joint venture with a locally based company.

The unification of European standards in 1992, says Teva President Eli Hurvitz, may end up proving a bonus, since the company will no longer have to meet the registration requirements of 12 separate countries.

"We're talking about different things with big and small companies in Europe," said Hurvitz, who prefers not to go into details until an agreement has been finalized. He hopes this will happen towards the end of the year. Meanwhile, his company is looking into all the new legislation relevant to the pharmaceuticals industry.

Hurvitz is also critical of the Israeli government for restricting monopolies. He says this creates an impediment to competing with the European giants and dismisses as ridiculous the government's apparent assumption that a company can grow into a multinational without a large local base.

By restricting companies like Teva, which account for more than 50 per cent of the local market, Hurvitz asserts, the government is ruining their chances of competing in Europe, come 1992. Teva has been subject to government supervision since last year, when it bought Abic, which was until then the second largest pharmaceuticals company in Israel.

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Meir Shani, who heads another large company, Elite Ltd., is even more outraged by the government's attempts to restrict monopolies.

"If I didn't have to spend 15 to 20 per cent of my time arguing with the government over price, I could be in Europe right now looking for a factory to buy, in order to prepare myself for 1992."

Elite is interested in purchasing one or two food factories in Europe, so as to secure its presence in the market. Thus far, however, according to Shani, it has only made preliminary contacts.

"So long as profits remain a dirty word in this country, there's no way we'll ever be able to prepare ourselves for 1992," said Shani bitterly, maintaining that by setting a ceiling on their profits, the government discourages monopolies like Elite from becoming more efficient.

Osem, Israel's other giant food concern, now is involved in discussions with several big companies about the possibilities of cooperation.

"We want to join up our own comparative advantages in the development of food products with theirs in marketing," says the company's managing director, Dan Propper.

Growth strategy planned

Osem, which sells about 70 per cent of its exports in Europe, is also strengthening its marketing activities in London and moving more into private labels in France, Propper says.

Like the heads of Teva and Elite, Propper also contends that being big is the only way to compete. "I estimate that, within 20 years, there will be no more than 10 big brand names of food in Europe." Last year, Osem took a major stride in its growth strategy when it acquired Assis.

On the electronics front, Elron Electronics Industries — the parent company of Elbit, Elscint, Optrotech and Fibronics — is also beefing up its marketing networks in Europe by hiring more salespeople and forming contacts with local distributors. In addition, says Elron's president Uzia Galil, each of the companies is today in contact with investors and companies in Western Europe in an effort to establish joint ventures and set up partnerships in factories.

"But in order to secure our interests, we have to make sure that if we're investing in Europe, European companies will also invest in Israel."

Electra, which manufactures home electrical appliances, is also seeking a strategic alliance in Western Europe, according to company managing director Haim Shulman. Electra, which relies on the European market for 80 per cent of its exports, is mainly seeking a European company able to give it marketing support because of growing competition in the airconditioning market, he says.

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One of the few companies that has already found itself a strategic partner is Delta-Galil, Israel's largest manufacturer of underwear. Delta's partner, however, is not European, but the U.S.-based food and textile giant, Sara Lee.

In order to obtain better access to the European market, Sara Lee recently acquired a significant stake in Delta, which is the world's largest sock exporter to Europe and one of the biggest exporters of men's underwear to the continent.

On a recent visit to Israel, Sara Lee president John Bryan estimated that after 1992, most of the small and medium-sized firms in Europe will disappear and that only about four or five giant textile companies will remain, among them Sara Lee-Delta.

Another textile company that has managed to make considerable headway in penetrating the European market and preparing for 1992, despite its recent financial difficulties, is Carmel Carpets.

Last year, just before a major debt crisis set in, Carmel acquired Adorus of West Germany, one of the world's leading manufacturers of machine-made Persian carpets. It subsequently transferred all of the German company's production facilities to Caesarea, but left its Berlin distribution offices open. Isaac Shapira, Carmel's vice-president in charge of overseas sales, says this office will allow the Israeli company considerable expansion of its European sales, which today amount to $30 million U.S. a year.

Despite all these efforts, Zohar Peri, who heads the interministerial committee responsible for preparing the economy for 1992, doesn't believe there's any compelling reason for Israeli companies to make acquisitions in Europe.

"The problem is not so much preparedness for 1992, but the general level of competitiveness of Israeli industry."

Before Israeli companies begin rushing off to Europe in search of factories and partnership, Peri says, they should first get their act together at home and introduce efficiency measures. Otherwise, even with all the production facilities imaginable in Europe, they won't be cost-competitive, and they can forget about selling there.

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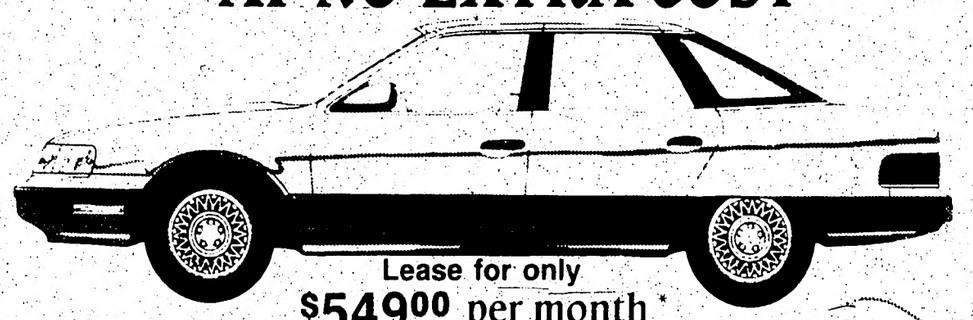

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Business Outlook

Electronic retailing said changing way in which business conducted

By
STEPHANIE CHAPMAN

TORONTO —
One of the newest concepts to be incorporated into the world of retailing is that of electronics, said the senior manager of the Boston retail unit of Touche Ross.

Harris Gordon said electronic retailing is changing the way business is conducted.

Gordon spoke at the recent Retail Council of Canada's annual retail marketing conference that was held at The Old Mill Conference Centre in Toronto.

Some of the reasons as to why electronic retailing has come to play such a role in the field has to do with the seriousness and the amount of competition, the changes in consumer lifestyles, technological advances and economic pressures from the labor market.

To date, electronic retailing is employed in several different forms with varying degrees of success, said Gordon. Inside the stores, electronic retailing takes the form of kiosks, cuisine machines, and most recently, Touch and Go service stations in fast food restaurants. These machines allow customers to order and pay for what they want through a machine thereby speeding up the process.

Merchandising advertisements are also another form of this type of hi-tech retailing. Gordon pointed out that the huge video walls that are displayed in some store are used to create excitement. Cosmetic counters now use computers to allow the consumer to obtain the most suitable cosmetics for individual skin type.

Gordon said the electronic in-store pricing and labeling system in grocery stores is quite popular. The shelf labels work in conjunction with the check-out scanning system so there are few discrepancies.

Outside the store, electronic retailing is expanding the shopper's opportunity to buy. Services like the home shopping channel on television, transaction kiosks and vending machines have all reached various levels of success.

Gordon also pointed out that some of the initial victories included an increase in the consumer learning curve and the retailer's acceptance of electronic retailing.

He pointed out to the members of the council that electronic retailing is the path of the future. Retailers need to consider some of the tactics and strategies that they will employ in this field.

Gordon said that people in the industry will have no choice but to join the revolution. They will have to conduct technological assessments in order to choose the electronic tool that will benefit the company the most. The need to identify those tools that will have the highest impact application is essential.

Victories come from experience, Gordon said. Although the test pilot may not be successful, one must be persistent.

"The bottom line is that electronic retailing will be the way of the '90s, and in turn, this will change the way that retailers conduct themselves in the marketplaces."

The issue concerning the personal side of retailing was questioned. As more and more people want personalized service as well as to be recognized as that store's customer, doesn't electronic retailing go against this philosophy?

Gordon said this was one method that determined the success rate of any kind of electronic retailing. For instance, although customers may not want to see the human element banished from the shopping experience, some electronic devices do speed up many processes, and therefore, convenience is accelerated.

People pay for what they like and enjoy so if the money isn't coming in, perhaps the wrong electronic tool has been chosen for that particular store.

Gordon has practiced in the retail industry for the past five years. In Canada, he has worked with Telepanel, Inc. the inventors of the electronic shelf pricing. Other major clients include Batus Corporation, parent company of Saks 5th Avenue and Marshall Field, Eastman Kodak, 3M, Procter and Gamble, Charming Shoppers, Euromarche and Japan's third largest retailer, Jusco.

Israel has found gem of a partner in Japan

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The firm's president, Shunkasu Tasaki, arrived here to join his Israeli partner, Dov Riger, at the inauguration ceremonies.

Riger has been supplying Tasaki's company with polished diamonds for some time. Tasaki also deals in pearls. He heads the International Syndicated Pearl Industrial Association.

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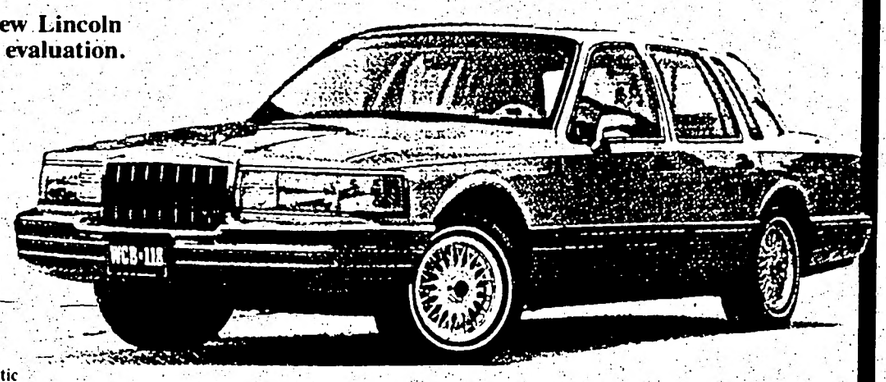
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Business Outlook

Humor called crucial to ease grind in workplace

By STEPHANIE CHAPMAN
TORONTO —

A sense of humor is necessary in the workplace, says the "vice-emperor" of a Berkeley, California-based consulting firm.

Ritch Davidson, whose company Playfair provides "playfulness training" at seminars, told the participants at the recent Retail Council of Canada's annual marketing conference that "laughter is one of the few things that not only makes you feel good, but it's also good for you."

"Laughter is the best medicine. Today, there is documented proof that laughter can halp alleviate certain health problems. Shared laughter creates bonds, but in the adult world, we always come up with reasons why we should hold that laughter back. We need to liberate the right side of our brains."

Davidson said that adults should look at the world through the eyes of a child. He suggested that the baby's perspective is the real world view — one that is positive and full of love.

"It's nothing like the adult world. We look at the world like it's a pie. You get your piece and hang onto it to stop others from taking it. And others will be there to take it from you, that's what you believe!

"You think I take my work seriously, but I take myself lightly. Why? Why can't laughter be incorporated into the work environment? Laughter is a coping mechanism," he said.

"I believe the more you leave it outside the door when you go into the office in the mornings, the harder it becomes to pick it up again when you leave at night."

Incorporating the lighter side of life into the harsher grind of the working world was the topic of the seminar while the method of driving the idea home to the audience was that of participation.

Davidson had seminar participants greeting as many perfect strangers as they could in a one-minute time frame, picking partners, playing a game called Pistol, Tiger, Person — fashioned after the competitive childrens' game called Rock, Paper, Scissors — and flying paper airplanes.

This was not a regular airplane contest. In fact, this was an exercise in the positive effect compliments can have upon workers. Each member of the audience had to write whatever words would cheer or motivate him or her. This, along with the member's name and a telephone number, was flown across the room into the hands of a stranger.

A follow up to the exercise involves the recipient of the information phoning the number and saying that inspirational phrase its author wrote. An exercise in positive thinking.

So, too, was the standing ovation game. Davidson said that anyone who felt they deserved a standing ovation could stand on their chair and ask for one at anytime during the rest of his seminar, or for that matter, whenever they so desired. At least four members of the council got the appreciation they felt they deserved that day.

Davidson said that it doesn't take much to introduce a positive element into the workplace. He said it could be a little note slipped between the countless sheets of typing that you give to the secretary, a rose left on someone's desk that says he or she is doing a great job or some small token of appreciation.

He also suggested purchasing some crazy animal or vegetable pens and sitting them on the desk. Afterall, he said, it's hard to stay mad when you're writing with a dolphin pen!

"We don't laugh because we're happy, we're happy because we laugh," were the words of wisdom with which Davidson left the now-grinning audience.

He walked off the stage to the sound of thunderous applause and a standing ovation.

Israel's trade deficit shrinking due to strong increase in exports

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Israel's trade deficit totalled $158 million U.S. last month, bringing the cumulative figure for the third quarter of the year to $485 million U.S., 32 per cent less than in the same quarter of last year.

Figures released recently by the Central Bureau of Statistics also showed that the deficit totalled $1.8 billion in the first nine months of the year, 15.6 per cent less than in the same period for 1988.

The shrinking deficit has resulted from a strong increase in exports, which more than offset a small rise in imports. Exports last month totalled $884 million, bringing the total for the last quarter to $2.5 billion, up 19 per cent over the figure for the third quarter of 1988. Since the beginning of the year, exports have totalled $7.5 billion, a rise of 8.5 per cent over the first nine months of 1988.

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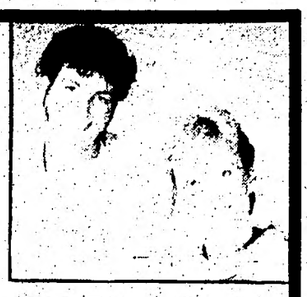
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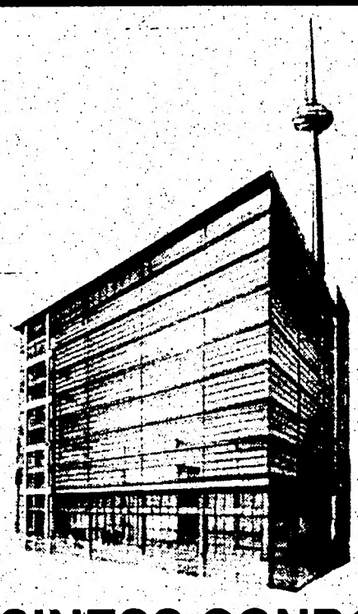
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13 Apartments For Rent

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39 Social Announcements

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42 Articles for Sale

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51 Domestic Help Wanted

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52 Personals

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54 Personal Companions

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Kaplan: God Yes, Chosen No

by Rabbi Jacob Chinitz

QUESTION: If Mordecai Kaplan's Reconstructionist theory permits him and us to veto tradition, how can he retain the word and the concept God, but reject the words and the concept of the Chosen People?

In my former congregation some years ago, a guest worshipper was called to the Torah, and everyone was shocked when he recited: "*asher kervonu laavodato . . .* " instead of the old words "*asher bahar banu mikol haamim . . .* " Some thought that he simply did not know, or had forgotten, the correct words; later he explained to us that he was a Reconstructionist, and that the Reconstructionist version of the Torah blessing leaves out the reference to "who has chosen us from all peoples" and substitutes "who has brought us close to His worship."

The question is: Why does Kaplan start with the words "*baruch ato adonai . . .* Blessed art Thou, O lord."? And why does he use the English word God? If he rejects the traditional concept of Chosenness, should he not also reject the traditional concept of God?

Now let us sharpen our opening question: Since Kaplan defines God as the process that makes for salvation, why does he insist on retaining the word God, and not using the word process, or salvation-process, or the life of the universe; yet in the case of Chosenness, he insists that once we have revised our beliefs about Chosenness, we can no longer use the word, but must use another word, namely, vocation? God yes, chosen no. Process no, vocation yes.

We can now let the cat out of the bag. Our question is not a new one. It was asked in "Questions Jews Ask" in this form: "Since we interpret the idea of God, why can we not reinterpret the idea of the Chosen People?"

Kaplan replied:

> The process of reinterpretation does not consist in arbitrarily assigning to a traditional term a meaning that you would like it to have . . . Some ideas can be reinterpreted; others cannot . . .

Despite this forthright statement, we find, if we delve more deeply into Kaplan's thought, two elements in his thought are in fact self-contradictory and lead to an ambivalent stance on the concept of Chosenness.

Conflict Between Democracy and Chosenness

Kaplan, a product of traditional Jewish education, but also of modern science, social science, philosophy and literature, embraced the new world with all of its implications. He accepted naturalism and that influenced his philosophy of Judaism, but he also accepted democracy with its full emphasis upon equalit of races, peoples and religions. Hence, any Jewish traditional doctrine that involved any kind of superiority for the Jewish people, he could not tolerate. Therefore, while his definition of God is so radical that some would say it is tantamount to atheism, he could still retain the word God, but after reinterpreting the nature of the Jewish people, he could not retain the word Chosen.

However, we have already found that Kaplan is willing to use the concept of "vocation" as a substitute for Chosenness. He is also willing to retain the balance of the traditional language of the Torah blessings, including the phrase: "*venotan lonu et Torato*", (and has given us His Torah.) The obvious question arises: does not the assumption of Israel receiving *His* Torah imply that others did not receive His Torah, even if they might have received some other form of divine revelation? After all, Kaplan defines revelation itself as "man's discovery of religious truth." Why then the insistence on identifying Israel's discovery of its religious truth with His Torah, rather than with God's revelation in general?

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Zionism Modifies Concept of Equality Between all Peoples

Kaplan's retention of particularistic language with reference to the Jewish people, the word: vocation, sometimes even the word: unique, His Torah, etc., and his general analysis of the Jewish situation in terms that do not apply to other people, betray the second element in his thinking which did not permit, for him, the swallowing up of Jewish identity in general human social and political existence. That second element is Zionism. Kaplan's Zionism, combining traditional notions of Jewish nationhood with modern conclusions drawn from the history of the last two centuries, modifies his humanism, his democracy, and his embrace of equality.

Before we proceed to apply this idea in Kaplan's ideology, we should note that a similar tension is present in the thought of one of his mentors, Theodore Herzl. One could have suspected that Herzl's yearning for normalcy for the Jewish people would have included the idea that Jews should be like other people. In "Judenstat", he visualizes the future Jewish state in terms of normal concepts:

> Universal brotherhood is not even a beautiful dream. Antagonism is essential to man's greatest efforts . . . The Jewish State . . . will require . . . a professional army equipped with every requisite of modern warfare, to preserve order internally and externally . . . we shall keep our priests within the confines of their temples in the same way as we shall keep our army within their barracks.

Here was the apostle of modern Zionism proclaiming the intense hunger of his people for an end to two millenia of heroism, martyrdom, and spirituality. Normalcy, equality, humanity — these are the deeply entrenched goals of political Zionism.

And yet the same Herzl, the great normalizer, cannot escape the very missionism he criticized in his Reform opponents; and either as a supplement to his blueprint for normalcy, or as a contradiction to it, he indulges in the same idealistic fantasies for his new Jewish people in their new State:

> The world will be freed by our liberty, enriched by our wealth, magnified by our greatness . . . Whatever we attempt to accomplish for our own welfare will react powerfully and beneficially for the good of humanity . . . Yes, we are strong enough to form a state, and, indeed, a *model* state.

After two thousand years of statelessness is not *any* state enough? No, it must be a model state.

Kaplan Cannot Abandon the Uniqueness of Judaism

In Kaplan too, we find that merely reconstituting Jewish existence and definition on a national and international democratic basis, in the organic Jewish community, and the world-wide renewal of the covenant along naturalistic and human lines, is finally not enough. With all the emphasis on equality and naturalism, the rejection of Chosenness and the Reform Mission, Kaplan still retains notions of uniqueness for the Jewish people and the Jewish religion. This people and this religion are not only going to take their place within American democracy with its brotherhood of religions, they are also going to be part of a world Jewish community. And not only will there be a world Jewish community, that community will have a spiritual and cultural center in the State of Israel. This is the Kaplanian vision of Jewish civilization.

And so the Zionist element in Kaplan's thought works in two ways: on the one hand it stresses the normalization aspect in formulating his general theology, but on the other hand, (as with Herzl), it also carries within itself the traditional emphasis upon the unique status and condition of the Jewish People. To illustrate this point, let us ask ourselves what other people or religion on earth could possibly apply to itself the following Kaplanian words:

> . . . the sense of vocation means that we shall make the most of our situation as a People, with a cultural center in a national state, and a Diaspora which requires us to share the cultural life of other Peoples. If we are aware of that vocation, we escape the danger of allowing the achievement of statehood in Israel to issue in nothing higher than one more chauvinistic nationalism. (Questions Jews Ask, 502)

Is there another people or nation or religion which would have this fear of "the danger of one more nationalism?" Kaplan chooses not to call this sensitivity "Chosenness", and he prefers words like vocation, otherness, difference; but can he escape that same sense of uniqueness which other Jewish thinkers have in mind when they do use the word: Chosen?

In the final analysis, Kaplan is not willing to place the Jewish people on a par with other people in seeking universal human salvation. He may reject the traditional Chosenness and mission as conceived by classical Reform, but he ends up with his own sense of Jewish mission. Let his own words speak for him (Questions Jews Ask, 504):

> . . . since the conditions of Jewish life naturally make the Jews *more* sensitive to the evils of inequality in religious matters, the *responsibility for advocating the doctrine that all human beings are eligible for salvation becomes part of the Jewish vocation* . . . ■

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EDITOR'S NOTEBOOK

This issue has a theological focus. The first two articles probe the profound implications of Judaism's classic doctrine of "Chosenness" and its effect on Jews living in today's egalitarian society.

In his article, Rabbi Chinitz analyzes Mordecai Kaplan's apparent rejection of Jewish Choseness in his Reconstructionist philosophy. Chinitz concludes that despite this forthright rejection, Kaplan in fact is unable to abandon the conviction that Judaism is unique among world religions, although he subsumes this uniqueness under the rubric of Jewish "vocation" rather than "Chosenness."

In my article on this subject, I submit my view that the "Chosenness" doctrine has been largely misunderstood by Gentiles and even by many Jews, as implying a Jewish claim to moral superiority over other peoples. I attempt to explain that in fact it should be understood as a challenge to Jews to strive for ever higher ethical standards in their own lives.

Eugene Kaellis turns his attention to another major theological tenet of Judaism: Messianism. He analyzes the effect of the belief in "progress", which arose in the 19th century as the panacea for all the ills of society, on the Messianic doctrine. He demonstrates the inefficacy of the Communist solution that a new structure of society would generate enough material progress to eliminate all social evils, and also the Christian emphasis solely on the spiritual life which requires the rejection of all material progress, and the embracing of poverty. He demonstrates how the Jewish vision manages to incorporate both material and spiritual progress in its Messianic concept.

In keeping with the Succoth season, we publish a nostalgic remembrance by Elaine Naves of her great-great-grandfather's life in the Hungarian countryside, and how events led to the creation of a paradoxical phenomenon: a travelling Sukkah.

The unique skyline of Montreal is dominated by a very large illuminated cross located permanently on the top of Mount Royal mountain in the centre of the city. Michael Greenstein traces for us the reactions this powerful Christian symbol has evoked from some of our best known Jewish writers, as recorded in their works.

Poems by Seymour Mayne, our Poetry Editor, and by Mona Elaine Adilman, conclude our issue.

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LETTERS

It is truly coincidental that in the same issue, (Vol. XVII, No. 4), as Milton Harris, former National President of CJC, realistically and forthrightly explains why he, a long-time committed Zionist, has chosen to dissent from some of Israel's policies, along comes Jacob Nir in that same issue and accuses Jews like Harris of having the sickness of self-hatred. Now that's what I call chutzpah!

In a sweeping generalization, Mr. Nir takes the axe to Jews like Harris, "who are afflicted with the most common Jewish disease called self criticism and destruction." Is he accusing Milton Harris of wanting to see the destruction of the State of Israel, or what does destruction refer to?

Though I don't know Mr. Nir, I too will generalize and say that I am familiar with his brand of thinking and politics, which says "Rally 'round the flag, boys," "use the big stick," "don't make waves," and "my country, always right, never wrong."

After bemoaning the fact that "the Arabs are becoming more powerful in North America and are gaining more sympathy from the general public and various organizations," your correspondent plows ahead without stopping to reflect that the Israeli cause had the overwhelming support, until recently, of the North American media and public. If that former support has started to waver in recent years, Mr. Nir attributes this to Jewish self-hatred and Jewish leftist groups. The proof for this accusation? None is required or given.

If I were forced to choose between Mr. Nir's super patriotism in the safety of North York and such noted "anti-Zionists" as Abba Eban, Amos Oz, Profs. Yehoshafat Harkabi and Alice Shalvi who, unlike Mr. Nir, are not prepared to fight to the last Israeli, I'll go with the latter.

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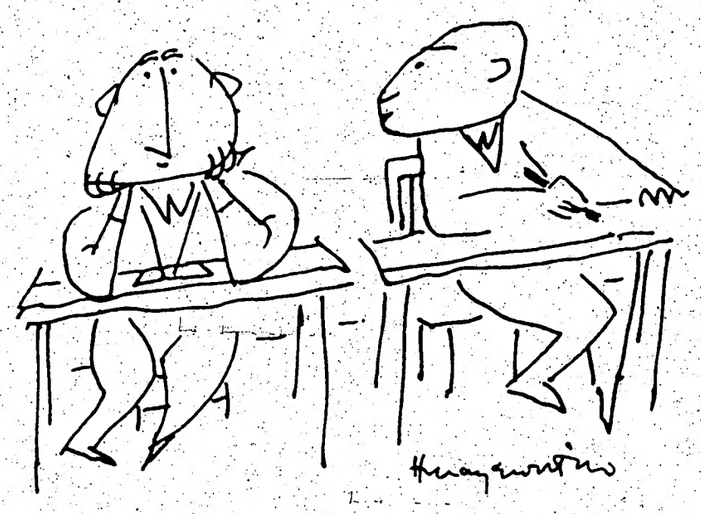

I am writing in response to three articles which appeared in "Viewpoints", Volume XVII, Number 4, 1989, relating to the emigration of Soviet Jewry.

Reference was made by Rabbi Plaut to ten thousand Soviet Jews in Europe awaiting visas for the West, and to the cost of maintaining them in Europe while the processing is taking place. The cost of providing subsistence standards of living to these people is not $3,600 per person as stated by Rabbi Plaut, but averages out to $2,300 per person. In fact, this amount would lower to $2,000 but for extraordinary medical expenses incurred for several families in transit in Rome. Family members living in Canada are already paying a significant portion of this cost. Since September 1988, over a quarter of a million dollars has been collected from these "anchor" families in Canada. Eventually, through a Loan Programme, these "anchor" families and their relatives will repay the Jewish Community in Canada for all care and maintenance expenses in Europe.

The movement of Soviet Jews to Canada is a family reunification movement. Thirty-four percent are first degree relatives of the Canadian anchor families, 49% are second degree, and 17% join friends. The "anchor" family must first show a real commitment to support their relatives in-transit in Europe and as much as possible once in Canada. The basic issue becomes whether and to what extent the Jewish establishment in Canada wants to assist a newer, less established component of the Jewish community. It is not a simple matter of promoting Israel as the only possiblity of resettlement when families already in Canada are seeking help to be reunited with their loved ones. The Canadian Jewish Community must determine what its moral responsibility is in relation to a part of its own community right here on Canadian soil.

I want to correct a presumption used in all three articles: that Soviet Jews, once in Canada, lose their Jewish identity. This is just untrue: those newcomers who have been appropriately welcomed have become adherents to Judaic principles and contributing members of the Canadian Jewish Community. JIAS has become increasingly aware of the importance of providing services which accelerate and deepen the process for the newcomer of working his way into a new culture. A number of committed Soviet Jews in Canada have created a Hebrew School for Soviet children and are working on behalf of the Soviet Jewish Community as well as the general community. We note with satisfaction the recent formation of the Soviet Jewish Division of the United Jewish Appeal.

Our attempts to attract newcomers toward a Jewish identity will only succeed on a large scale if they are invited and encouraged to identify with constituent groups within the Jewish community. Presently, JIAS and the individual Jewish federations have begun programmes along this line. But unless all Jewish institutions, such as synagogues and youth groups, consciously become sensitive to actively assisting in this goal, the Soviet Jew in Canada will become isolated from his religion and his community. Such alienation can occur anywhere, if such an approach is lacking, by the way, even in Israel.

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Ed. Note

The symposium in our last issue was not focussed on Canada, since the number of Soviet emigrants who come here is comparatively small. It was intended as a discussion of the policy of the U.S. "fund-raisers" who, despite strong objections from Israel, decided to finance those with Israeli visas who opt for the U.S.A. They are now in the midst of a $75 million dollar campaign on top of the regular U.S.A. appeal to finance this policy.

Since our symposium was published, this situation remains extremely fluid. Latest information is that several initiatives have been undertaken to resolve this problem. These include increasing the U.S. Embassy staff in Moscow to handle all applications for visas there instead of in Vienna, reaching an agreement to inaugurate direct flights from the U.S.S.R. to Israel and eliminating the refugee status of all Soviet emigrants to the U.S. — all designed to reduce the backlog of emigrants stranded in Ladispoli. In view of these developments, this question is rapidly becoming moot.

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The Challenge of Chosenness

by William Abrams

DURING the past several decades, many hands have been wrung and much ink has been spilled about the impending disappearance of Diaspora Jewry. Many reasons are advanced: Jews are diminishing in numbers because birth control has resulted in negative population growth; tensions are escalating between Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Jews raising a prospect of three separate religions by the year 2000; diminishing anti-semitism and increasing secularism are accelerating assimilation into the general society; and so on *ad infinitum*. Curiously, one major reason for concern, perhaps the most important of all — has been almost entirely overlooked: the erosion of belief by Jews in the doctrine of Jewish "Chosenness."

There will be little argument as to the fact of this erosion; in fact, the mere evocation of the doctrine of Chosenness today is met with embarrassment and discomfort on the part of many Jews. Recent polls demonstrate an overwhelming rejection of this doctrine by college-age Jews, which indicates that this central tenet of Jewish faith, accepted until recently as axiomatic by Jews throughout our history, faces even greater rejection by future generations.

What has led to this radical change in outlook by twentieth century Jews is therefore a question that deserves serious analysis; for once this basic underpinning of Jewish commitment is removed, it becomes very difficult to find a response to the cynical question: In to-day's open society, why bother to be Jewish?

Chosenness Misunderstood

It will be the thesis of this essay that the nuances of the Chosenness doctrine are complex, varied and generally misunderstood. Three major reasons for the erosion of belief in Chosenness will be advanced: a general misunderstanding of the true meaning of Chosenness; the rise in the concept of egalitarianism in Western society stemming from the French Revolution and particularly the famous revolutionary slogan: Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité: and a wilful and unrealistic denial in the modern era of the power of evil in human nature.

The fact that members of other religions have misunderstood the doctrine of Chosenness, seeing it as an arrogant claim by Jews to some kind of innate genetic superiority in intellectual and religious matters is understandable. But the degree to which this same misunderstanding is widespread in Jewish circles and even among Jewish scholars, is worrisome indeed. To offer one striking example: Meyer Waxman published in 1936 a scholarly and comprehensive five-volume history of Jewish literature; in his introduction to vol. 3, while discussing the factors which enabled the Jews to resist assimilation, he writes: "Two factors of value were the hope of redemption and the belief that the Jews are a chosen people, or as we say today, *the possession of a superiority complex*." (emphasis added) Lest we think that this misconception may have been corrected in the fifty years since Waxman's work was published, let me quote from an article which appeared in the latest issue of Tikkun magazine (July/August 1989). The writer is Marcia Falk. She states (p.54): "Just as we see ourselves as inferior in relation to God, so we see ourselves as superior in relation to others . . . This type of projection, which is rooted in the theological model, forms the psychological basis of pernicious social structures, including sexism, homophobia, racism, classism, antisemitism and Jewish anti-Gentilism (Chosenness)."

This is a truly tragic misreading of the true meaning of Chosenness and a demonstration of how deeply this distorted view has penetrated the Jewish psyche. Chosenness is a challenge to the Jewish people to accept the "yoke of the Torah"; to study its ethical and moral principles; to internalize the values which support these principles and to act them out in our daily lives, thereby setting an example as a "pilot people" to all humanity. It is a call to the Jews to strive for spiritual superiority, but never an assumption that such superiority has been achieved, or even worse, is inborn.

The doctrine of Chosenness is an elitist doctrine, in the best sense of that oft misunderstood word. It defines the Jewish task as striving to live up to a higher standard of morality than that which prevails in general society; but, although Jews are commanded to become a spiritual elite, they are also commanded to encourage all other peoples to join this elite, not by exhortation but by setting an example of ethical behaviour in daily life. This indeed is elitism at its best. Unfortunately, elitism has in our day taken on a negative connotation, as being the antithesis of "egalitarianism," a doctrine that had its origins in the French Revolution and has become the accepted ideology of liberal Western thinkers.

Egalitarianism vs Elitism

Sparked by the Enlightenment spirit of scepticism toward established values, the French Revolution swept away the general acceptance of the class structures that had prevailed during the entire medieval period of European history, and introduced for the first time the ideal of a classless society. The famous slogan: "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity" became the watchword of this egalitarian philosophy. It penetrated Western Europe and then North America, eventually finding expression in the Declaration of Independence which begins with the statement that "all men are created equal."

It is this egalitarian concept that has so permeated our society that it has given elitism a bad name. Undoubtedly the unquestioning acceptance of this ideal lies at the root of the current difficulty many Jews have with the doctrine of Chosenness, itself usually misunderstood, as I have indicated.

There is one major problem with this revered statement in the Declaration of Independence: it is not true — or at least it is true only if one extends it to read, as I believe the framers of the Declaration intended: all men are created equal *in the eyes of God, their Creator*. The Founders of the American Republic were religious men who believed that (as theologian C.F. Mooney writes in his recent book: Public Virtue), "God was responsible for our nation's beginning, leading us as a chosen people, like Israel during the Exodus."

History has amply demonstrated, over and over again, that in this world some persons are born superior to others in strength, beauty, intellect, cunning and determination. As a result, they will, if given the liberty to do so, acquire wealth, land and power over their fellows; and since power always corrupts, and is insatiable in extending itself, these persons will eventually enslave the others.

The famous slogan: Liberty, Equality, Fraternity, despite its fame, has also been almost universally misunderstood. When accepted as a slogan, setting forth revolutionary objectives, the underlying and false assumption is that the three goals of liberty, equality and fraternity can be pursued simultaneously and are congruent with one another. I would submit that it should be read not as a hortatory slogan, but as a profound philosophical truth, expressed in dialectical form. The thesis is liberty; the antithesis is equality; the synthesis is fraternity. A moment's thought will, I believe, lead to the realization that, for the reasons mentioned above, the more liberty given to superior persons to exercise their superiority, the less restraints are placed on their efforts to dominate and even enslave others, the less liberty there will be in the world. The resolution of the dilemma lies in "Fraternity."

But what exactly is meant by "fraternity"? Obviously the implication is that it is a sense of brotherhood ("fraternité" stems from the Latin "frater" or brother) sufficiently strong to motivate superior men to refrain voluntarily from the free exercise of their power to dominate their weaker fellow-men.

Such self-restraint is not easy to come by; nor can it be imposed on powerful individuals by changing the structure of society, either by peaceful or revolutionary means. Starting with the French Revolution itself, history has, once again, amply demonstrated that there are no new structures of society that can protect the weak and powerless from the wilful determination of evil persons to subvert the new system and once again gather the reins of power into their own hands. James Madison recognized this truth. In Federalist Paper no. 45, he wrote: "Is there no virtue among us? If there be not no form of government can render us secure. To suppose that any form of government will secure liberty or happiness without any virtue in the people is a chimerical idea."

The Power of the Evil Instinct

The most serious error continually made by secular utopian planners over the last two centuries has been the constant refusal to recognize the power of this evil instinct in all human beings. Why this was so is debatable; it may have been in revulsion from the power of the Church which was viewed as a pillar of the reactionary class structures, and its overemphasis on sin and of the eternal damnation that was its consequence. Or it may have been Rousseau's extolling of the "noble savage," presumably born without evil instincts, which were only acquired after exposure to a corrupt society. Whatever the reasons, the refusal to look inward for the resolution of the problem of liberty vs. equality, the insistence that the obstacles to the ushering in of a just and peaceful world community can be surmounted by devising a better economic and political system has been one of the major weaknesses of the secular humanist philosophy.

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It is indeed a paradox that the heirs of the Enlightenment, who pride themselves on their skeptical, rational, empirical and scientific approach to the problems facing humanity, have been more unrealistic in their assessment of human nature than the adherents of the religious world-view, which secularists have consistently derided as being unworldly, visionary and sentimental.

The fact is that it was only the religionists who sufficiently recognized the tremendous power of the evil instinct and it was the Jews who gave to the world the fundamental insight that has enabled man to curb it. This was the idea of monotheism: of one God who created the universe and all its inhabitants, including man. The power of this concept lay in its corollary: If God is the Father of mankind, then (and only then) should all men be considered as brothers and treated accordingly. The brotherhood of man can only be a corollary of the Fatherhood of God. This is a difficult lesson to learn, and since each new generation is born with the same evil inclination, it has to be learned afresh in each generation, no matter under what political or economic regime it may happen to live.

Christianity, which grew out of Judaism, accepted the Jewish emphasis on the power of the *yetzer horah* (evil inclination), but took a different theological approach towards curbing it. The Christian approach is indirect: faith in Jesus who provides vicarious atonement for sin; salvation only in the afterworld, and only through the Church; and confession to a priestly class who have the power to impose penance and offer forgiveness.

The Jewish answer is direct and this-worldly: individual responsibility for evil action directly to God with no intermediary; no forgiveness by God until redress has been made to the human being who has been wronged and a decision to turn from one's evil ways (*teshuvah*) has been taken. Finally, the most important difference of all is that Judaism emphasizes positive actions on behalf of social justice (*tzedakah*) in this world, rather than the avoidance of sin in order to ensure entry into the next world.

Jews Vulnerable to Secularist Utopianism

Ironically, it was this very hunger for social justice, the cardinal tenet of Judaism, that made Jews particularly vulnerable to the blandishments of the Enlightenment belief that secularist utopias could be established on earth if only the right political system could be found. The result was that a disproportionate number of Jews were led into secularism and radicalism. One of the few Jewish intellectuals to recognize this danger and warn against it is I.B. Singer, the Nobel Prize winner. In an article entitled: "Singer's Politics" in Midstream (Jan. 1987) Edward Alexander writes:

"Isaac Bashevis Singer is that rarity among modern Jews, a literary intellectual who is not only hostile to Leftism in all its forms, but appears never to have been tempted by the siren call of Leftist sloganeering and Utopianism that has lured so many Jews to their destruction."

Alexander quotes from Singer's book: *A Young Man In Search Of Love* (Page 96): "In all the centuries that the Gentiles have waged wars against each other the Ghetto Jew had waged a war with his inner enemy, with that power of Evil that roosts in every brain and constantly strives to lead it astray. The Emancipation had partially . . . put an end to this Jewish war. The Enlightened Jew had himself become a bit of the Evil Spirit . . . a master of specious theories, of seductive utopias, of false remedies."

A Reason to be Jewish

One more insight to be added to complete our grasp of the true meaning of Chosenness. The Jews were commanded to become, first a "kingdom of priests" and only then "a holy nation." In other words, until each individual member becomes a "priest" — a sanctified individual who recognizes the insidious power of his own evil instinct and battles against it every day of his life, by prayer and acts of *tzedakah*, the Jews cannot form a "holy nation." Only holy individuals can form a holy nation.

This, finally, adumbrates in all its complexity the doctrine of Chosenness and instructs us in the proper discharge of the responsibilities this Chosenness lays on each individual Jew. We must search our souls daily to subdue or at least control our evil instincts; we must search the world daily to discover and perform *mitzvot* in order to increase social justice throughout the world.

This dual responsibility has a dual effect: it sensitizes us to the privilege of being a member of a sanctified society that challenges us to strive for spiritual growth throughout our lives; and also gives us a sense of the Jewish mission in the world in which all of us, through this spiritual growth, can play our individual roles as members of a "pilot people." Can there be a better reason for "bothering to be Jewish"? ■

Choosing A Vision

by Eugene Kaellis

MESSIANISM, a near universal cultural manifestation defined as belief in the achievement of a perfect society, is in large measure based on myths of a Golden Age in which humans, in the early reaches of time, are alleged to have lived in a state of perfect harmony with one another, nature, and God. In the West this takes the classic form of the Garden of Eden.

Igo Shafarevich has traced the history of messianic movements and concluded that psychologically, they represent a sublimated expression of despair over the vicissitudes of life and the human condition, and express an unconscious wish to return to the security of fetal existence or the desire for complete freedom from anxiety through death. It is therefore no accident that messianic messages are often accompanied by apocalyptic forebodings.

Jewish and Christian Messianisms Differ

Christian messianism emphasizes individual, otherworldly salvation, whereas Jewish messianism is communal and in its purely religious form posits a future society ruled entirely by Torah precepts. But even religious Jews have been profoundly affected by secularism and democratization in modern culture, and it is fair to say that most twentieth century Jews conceive of messianism as a political process, their conception falling under the rubric of the Messianic Age, an era characterized by the disappearance of at least the most evil practices of human society — war, violence, pollution, enforced poverty, and bigotry. Even if this goal were to be attained, Jews who see "God-wrestling" as a specific and ongoing aspect of the human condition believe that moral and spiritual dilemmas would persist.

This Messianic-Age approach is, of course, another way of expressing the concept of progress, and can incorporate belief in rising expectations. In this model, since the goal recedes at precisely the same rate at which it is approached, there is a substitution of process for achievement.

Progress, however, is never unalloyed. With whatever benefits it bestows, it brings a new set of problems. While the industrial age's extensive exploitation of materials and energy has improved material condition in much of the world, it has, as everyone knows, created the threat of resource depletion, ecological disaster, alienation, nuclear annihilation, etc.

Different Guises of Messianism

In reaction to these threats utopian messianism takes on various guises. Environmental activists and "organicists" insist that return to a simpler mode of life can save humankind from an imminent environmental and spiritual demise. Others maintain the problem rests with social organization, and that only a new, better political-economic system can provide material well-being and still guarantee personal dignity and security. These systems generally follow a collectivist-egalitarian approach.

Believers in this approach are extremely varied and contentious in their particular advocacy, but the failure of *any* modern society based on collectivist-egalitarianism to live up to its promises has discredited all its variants and caused a severe crisis among believers, a crisis exacerbated by the current widespread disarray in the communist world. Nevertheless, the appearance of false messiahs, the corruption of utopian sects, and the failure of countless schemes have historically never precluded the appearance of yet another expression of messianic zeal, and there is ample reason to believe that, after a period of disillusionment and cynicism, the same drive will reassert itself, possibly in different form.

For Jews, the question is — What Jewish guiding

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principles can help define the ultimate goals of the Messianic Age and determine the best means for their realization?—Jews have always constituted an extremely heterdox, often highly disputatious community, and to prescribe a new vision for Jews or urge their coalescence under an existing one would be both presumptuous and futile.

In orthodox thinking the full application of Torah principles is predicated, both implicitly and explicitly, on establishment of a theocratic state. While most Jews, for various reasons, have persuasive theoretical and practical objections to this, there are ethical guides and commandments in the Torah and in the Jewish Testament which can help Jews formulate an approach.

Among them are many Torah provisions for the care and sustenance of the poor. Leviticus for example, states that a fellow Jew who becomes poor and cannot maintain himself shall be taken charitably into a household, be charged no profit for food, no interest on loans, and shall not be enslaved. There is also provision for the communal redemption of poor Jews who have sold themselves into Gentile slavery. This and practices mandated in other books of the Torah, e.g., Deuteronomy, provide for food for orphans, widows, and sojourners, release from loans, and, in general, help to the impoverished.

Changes in Political Systems Irrelevant to Judaism

Expounding upon social responsibility was one of the major efforts of the social prophets, but since they favored obedience to established commandments, their message was essentially conservative, not revolutionary. They realized that, whatever the political and economic precepts and advocated practices of societies are, if morality is not firmly bound to correct personal decisions, any system, regardless of the benignity of its principles, degenerates into cant and hypocrisy. To them, the question of systemic change was therefore irrelevant. Social morality, they insisted, was in the final analysis personally mediated, an approach exactly the opposite of those who suggest that personal morality is determined entirely by the social-political-economic context in which it develops.

Since the world in time and space has experienced an enormous variety of social systems while the basic problems of social injustice remain, one could therefore conclude that the general level of personal morality has never reached heights sufficient to eliminate social injustice. While failure to achieve utopia may mean that the struggle associated with this process is part of the perpetual God-wrestling that characterizes the human condition, one can point to a significant alleviation of many social problems as a measure of the growth of personal morality.

For instance, Canada's current political-social system (welfare, UI, pensions, medical insurance, etc.) relegates responsibility to the state, assuring a degree of communal support to those in need. But it also creates an ambience in which people find rationalizing a disinclination to personal compassion easy. Some of this rationalization is based on practical aspects. Admittedly, taxation to support social services deprives many people of at least some of the money they might otherwise be expected to contribute to charity, and even when people do make donations, the funds are administered by others and they rarely witness the results, alienating them from the process. The net effect of relegated responsibility is therefore to diminish the exercise of an important *mitzvah*.

Judaism Does Not Consider Money Inherently Evil

In spite of its provisions for charity, the Torah explicitly cautions against favoring the poor solely because of their poverty. Leviticus admonishes, "You shall do no injustice in judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor, or defer to the great; but in righteousness you shall judge your neighbor," and Exodus cautions, "nor shall you be partial to a poor man . . ." The poor thus reach no higher legal or moral level simply by virtue of their poverty than those economically favored.

This contrasts markedly with the teaching of the Christian Testament from which, for example, practices such as the vow of priestly poverty are derived. The Christian tradition on acquisition is reflected not only in priestly vows; riches *per se* presumably disqualify or at least make difficult entrance into the Kingdom of Heaven. The early apostles, inspired by Jesus' admonitions, sold their possessions and communalized their property. Moreover, money, instead of being treated simply as a negotiable form of wealth, became specifically the incarnation of evil, just as Jesus became the incarnation of good. Money was stigmatized because it permitted the purchase of creature comforts and sensual amenities which Christianity has always maintained interfere with spiritual development. "Do not gratify the desires of the flesh," warned Paul.

Christian Concept of Asceticism Alien to Judaism

The Christian concept of asceticism, whereby the body is weakened, deprived, denied, and even punished in order to strengthen the soul, was and remains totally alien to Judaism, which has never made a sharp distinction between the spiritual and material and has urged Jews to enjoy the licit pleasures of this world without idolatrizing them through excess or the exclusion of spiritual growth. Indeed, a Jewish commentary states that those who do not enjoy every licit pleasure available to them will have some explaining to do when they stand before God.

Because Christianity did not accept the moral validity of natural desires for material well-being and pleasure, Christian antisemitism derived much of its appeal from the distorted perception of Jews as avaricious and carnal. (Disdain for the pursuit of these objectives is, of course, in large measure itself a form of covetousness which has often turned to hatred when Jews are involved.)

It may be said, therefore, that paganism glorifies wealth, Christianity (in theory, of course) condemns it, while Judaism, permits it, when it is appropriately acquired. Wealth can provide comfort and the means for intellectual and artistic pleasure and creativity, and also be used for communal benefit. Traditionally, philanthropy is one of the most commonly expressed *mitzvot* in Jewish communities.

The Eighth Commandmant, by outlawing theft, sanctifies property, considered the fruits of industry and creativity. The illicit acquisition of property by any means — cheating, forgery, expropriation — is thus forbidden. It has been argued that disparity in wealth is itself based on a socially approved form of expropriation, this claim, of course, being the basis of Marxist political economy. Yet, the Tenth Commandment: "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is your neighbour's," obviously presupposes the existence of economic disparity, and to clear up any doubts, *Deuteronomy* prognosticates the continued existence of the poor. This does not mean that there will always be people in abject poverty. It means that always some people will have less than others.

While each Jew's search for the meaning of the Messianic vision will continue and evolve based on contemporary cultural and other influences, the search should be made on values and premises the pedigrees of which are at least acknowledged. Jews have lived so long in an alien environment, that they have absorbed fundamental world outlooks which cannot be described as essentially Jewish. Many of these outlooks have roots in Greek philosophical idealism which pervaded Western society through Christian teachings. This does not mean that Jews must exclude a messianic vision which coincides or overlaps significantly with those derived from other cultures. It may be useful for them, however, to know precisely what they are doing.

One of the great strengths of Judaism lies in its emphasis on perfectibility (a process), rather than on perfection (an attainment). Jewish Biblical luminaries, for example, are distinguished by their failures as well as their successes. Jacob was a deceiver, Moses an insolent murderer, Saul a paranoid, David a conniving lecher, traits which mark them as human but do not detract from their magnificent achievements. The candor with which the Jewish Testament acknowledges their imperfections contrasts sharply with the perfection attributed to Jesus from his immaculate conception, to his virgin birth, to his perfect life and perfect death.

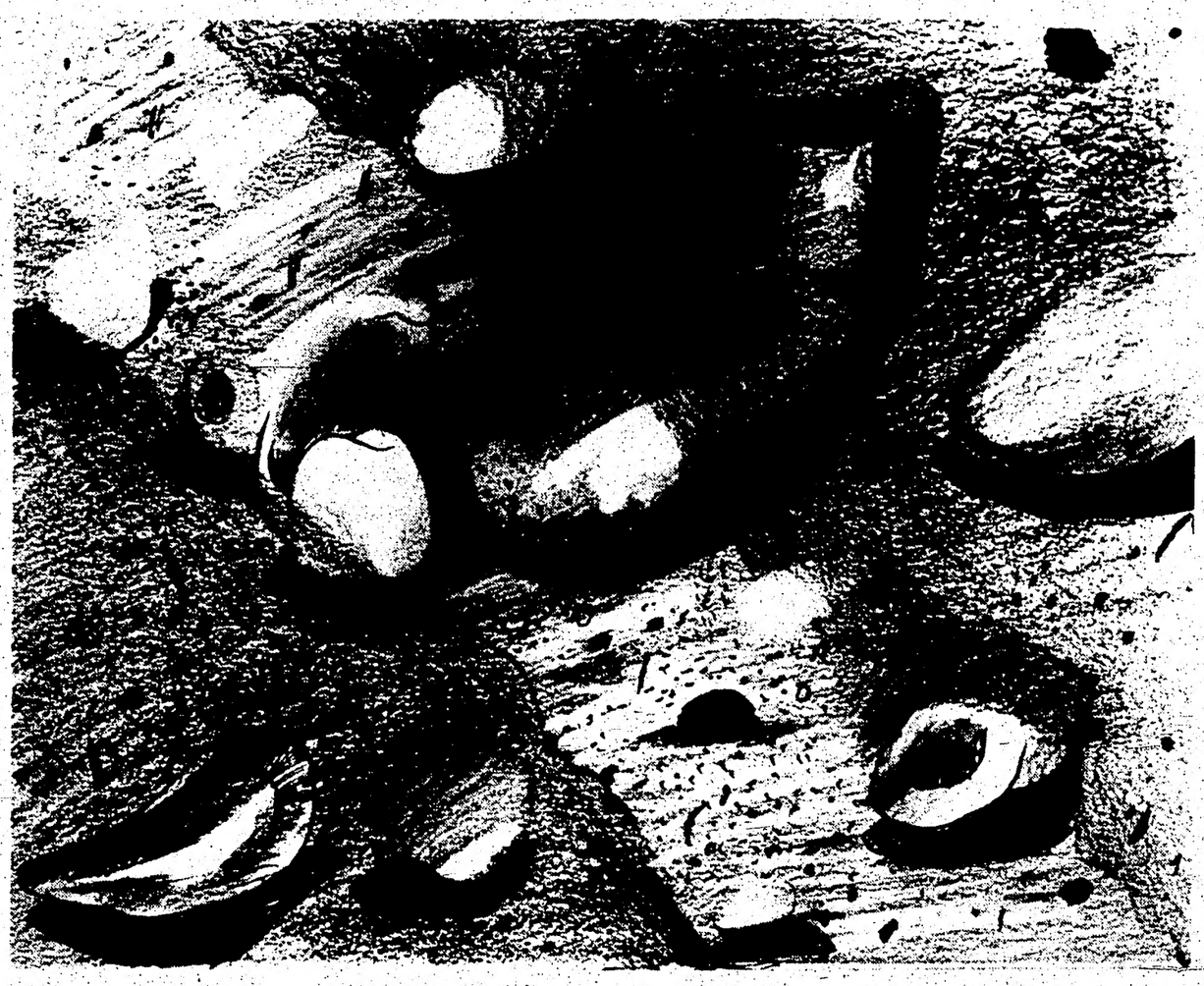
Jewish Messiah Is Forever Coming

Judaism, moreover, is persistently incomplete. Jews await a Messiah who is forever coming yet does not come. The creative tension this introduces into Jewish life far exceeds any sense of frustration it induces among the weary.

Perfection and completeness can be highly pernicious social concepts. Social revolutionary movements often attempt to achieve them by the social (or personal) excision of whatever group they demonize as the source of corruption whether the group be identified by class, race, politics, or religion. Witness the terror of the French Revolution, that of the Bolshevik and Chinese Communist revolutions, and the Holocaust. The acceptance of imperfection and incompleteness as *bona fide*, inevitable aspects of reality, can therefore help avoid involvement with the kind of utopianism which over the centuries has lured billions to prodigal calamity.

Yet, choosing a social vision and acting on behalf of its fulfillment is an important part of the Jewish redemptive process. Judaism has always emphasized community and condemned isolation. The recluse, no matter how "holy" his existence, merits no respect or favor among Jews. By removing himself from the existential compact, he has excluded himself from the triad of People, Torah, and God.

Visions of what the world ought to be are plentiful. Unfortunately, the rewards of political, academic, and religious life often go to those furnishing facile and comforting models, no matter how superficial or inefficacious, rather than to those asking questions that are searching and profound, particularly when they are discomforting. The best that can be done is to pose questions, point out some of the probable consequences and hope that the choice of a vision will be viewed as a serious commitment affecting the lives of those who make the choice as well as those of their contemporaries and descendants. ■



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The Travelling Sukkah

by Elaine Kalman Naves

In North American cities, you see them in autumn in parts of town where Jews live. On balconies; attached to suburban homes; beside synagogues; inside old-age homes and hospitals. Some are handsome and elaborate cabins, others ramshackle, straw-in-the-wind huts. All have roofs of loose boughs or evergeen branches that remain open to the elements, for the Law prescribes that when you look up from beneath them at night, you must be able to see the stars.

In these cabins — *sukkhot* — Jews celebrate the 8-day Feast of Tabernacles, the harvest holiday that concludes the month-long cycle of festivals beginning with Rosh Hashonah.

Whenever I see my first *sukkah* of the season, I think of a short, stern faced gentleman with a brief chin beard and skullcap, my great-great-grandfather Samuel Schwarcz. Not that I ever knew him personally — he died before the end of the last century, on an estate buried deep in the Hungarian countryside, near the present-day Soviet border. Actually, I did not even know my grandparents, let alone remoter ancestors — the Holocaust, Auschwitz, swallowed them all.

Great-great-grandfather Samuel lived in an earlier, saner era, though his life had its own share of turbulence, drama, and hardship. At the age of 17 he volunteered for action in the Revolution of 1848, Hungary's quixotic but ultimately futile attempt to throw off Austrian rule. The period of stern repression that followed found him on an errand aimed to improve the family fortunes. With a horse and buggy he took to the foothills of the Carpathians, dispatched by his father to bring back a barrel of fine but cheap wine, for resale in his village. He came back with not only wine, but news that he had wooed the winemerchant's daughter, to the consternation of both sets of parents who preferred to mediate such affairs of the heart through the agency of a marriage broker.

The family business was farming. The land which Samuel's ancestors had contracted to rent from the Hungarian gentry was thin, blowaway sand where, local adage had it, you planted your seed on one dune, and it came up on the next. Samuel's marriage and the children which sprang from it with clockwork regularity (nine in all) only increased the penury of the household. But he was a feisty man who had promised his bride's parents that he would make good and he kept his word.

A shrewd farmer, he noted that the acacia trees which were then beginning to proliferate in his region anchored the flyaway sand against harsh winds and prevented its erosion. He edged his fields with acacias, and enriched his soils with manure. He experimented with fruit growing, he participated in rudimentary irrigation projects. With his profits, he took on larger leaseholds, bought land of his own, and invested in modern equipment.

But Samuel had other strings to his bow than progressive farming methods. An orthodox Jew, his faith embraced every aspect of his life including his business endeavors.

Ever since three generations earlier, his ancestors had first settled in Hungary, it had been the custom in his family to set a trestle table in front of the farmhouse and stock it with refreshments for the footsore travellers and indigent folk who happened to pass thereby. Additional generous sums were disbursed to the poor at every holiday and lifecycle observance — at births, at weddings, at funerals. In an age before organized social services, these acts of charity met a recognized societal need but, in Samuel's world view, they enhanced his own prosperity as much as that of those he assisted. Charity was as important to the flourishing of his lands as irrigation projects or newfangled farm implements. It was, he believed, the reason for his bumper crops of wheat and potatoes; the reason his lands never suffered hail damage, despite the fact that spectacular hail storms regularly strafed his village in summertime.

These were years when insurance salesmen began conducting aggressive campaigns to persuade Hungarian farmers to protect themselves against fire and hail. But the ranks of salesmen invariably found themselves rebuffed at Samuel's door with the response: "Our property has already been insured against all types of damages *in perpetuity*."

"How so?" the salesmen inquired, puzzled. "*We* have exclusive rights to sell insurance in the whole country but you hold no policy with us."

"Quite right," retorted great-great-grandfather, "but the boundaries of this farm are paved with the alms I donate to the poor. My insurance against fire and hail stems from what I do for those less fortunate. As long as I remember them, my lands won't suffer."

And yet, and yet, one torrid summer day, great-great-grandfather had cause to quake that this once he would not escape. Hot breezes breathed through the fat ears of wheat in fields ready for harvesting as the skies darkened and a great storm gathered. The divine insurance policy appeared to have become misplaced. "Well, we're in for it this time ourselves," he muttered darkly to himself as he began reciting Psalms.

The damage wrought by this king of storms was the despair of farmers. The crops of Samuel's neighbors lay bludgeoned to the ground. But great-great-grandfather's wheat remained hale and upright.

In the panicked moments of the storm, Samuel had made a vow: if the Lord would spare his harvest, he would double his alms to the poor. But afterwards perhaps he felt a tad guilty for making bargains with the Almighty. For afterwards he resolved to commemorate his gratitude in a unique manner. The approaching festival of Sukkot was a holiday of thanksgiving dedicated to the harvest. What better way to mark his own thanks for his salvaged crops than by the construction of a new kind of *sukkah*? It would be an extraordinary *sukkah*, not of the customary makeshift character to be dismantled at the end of the holiday and rebuilt the following year, but one that was permanent and solid, to be used even by his descendants after him.

The newly designed *sukkah* was much admired locally and later became a model for many others. It stood next to the house, its mud walls plastered over thick planks that were nailed to oak beams. In summer it did double duty as an outdoor kitchen, its loose plank ceiling covered by a roof that operated on a pulley. In the fall, immediately after the conclusion of the Yom Kippur fast, the roof was raised, the *sukkah* cleaned and elaborately decorated.

The ceiling boards were replaced by green reeds and rushes in the ordained manner. Colorful drawings festooned the interior walls, and from the reed ceiling hung gold-painted walnuts, gilt ornaments, and hollowed-out eggshells sporting glued-on gossamer wings. With that the *sukkah* was ready for meals and celebrations during the holiday.

I learned the story of great-great-grandfather's *sukkah* recently when I travelled to Budapest to meet his grandson and last surviving namesake, one of the many Samuels who were called after him. Then in his late 80's, great-uncle Samuel had weathered greater hailstorms than his grandfather. He had seen the family fortunes reversed, the business bankrupted, the family dispersed. During World War II, he had fought in a forced labor battalion against the Soviets and returned to Hungary in 1945 to find that his wife and child had been murdered by the Nazis. He had lost his faith in God.

But he had not lost his love and pride in the family's past and its traditions. It became a kind of secular religion for him, one that bound him to previous generations, even those he had not known. Great-uncle Samuel was not personally acquainted with his grandfather any more than I was; the older Samuel had died years before his namesake was born. The description of the short, stern faced gentleman with a brief chin beard and skullcap was drawn from a photograph in the dining room of the manorhouse in which great-uncle Samuel was born. In recalling his grandfather's achievements, he thought as much of his own father who had originally catalogued them for him, as he did of the hero of the story.

For me the story of great-great-grandfather's permanent *sukkah* holds a special irony. The essence of the Sukkot holiday is that of impermanence; of a people who once wandered in the desert and lived in tents. A century ago in the Hungarian countryside my farming ancestors had achieved such a level of comfort and complacency that they earmarked the holiday by making its chief symbol, the *sukkah*, solid and permanent.

Great-great-grandfather became so attached to his creation that when an upswing in his fortunes dictated a move to a larger estate, he refused to leave it behind. Truly elaborate measures had to be devised for the 5-mile journey over rutted roads, sizable sandhills and occasional pools of water.

Samuel himself designed the method of transport. Three large wooden rollers were fashioned, each some seven yards long and more than a yard in diameter. The *sukkah* was lifted unto these rollers and surrounded with protective scaffolding securely tied with thick cords. A wooden slide was placed in front of the rollers. Three pairs of huge oxen were then teamed up to pull the contraption. The oxen could take no more than five paces before the last roller slipped out from under the *sukkah*. Brawny workmen hoisted up the edifice in the rear while others heaved the roller to the front. Once again a few paces by the oxen, and the third roller slipped out once more. And so on laboriously over the journey.

Days later when the caravan arrived, the *sukkah* remained unscathed.

In my family the spinning of tales about the ancestral past has replaced many of the ritual observances of the holiday season. I grew up weaned on stories of bygone religious observances yet seldom darkened the doors of a synagogue myself; my own secular religion consists of piecing together the history of a family I know only from photographs and hearsay. Over the centuries the history of the Jews all over the world has been one of a peculiarly lasting impermanence, the Schwarcz family of northeastern Hungary being only one poignant example. Its surviving remnants are scattered all over the globe today — from Tel Aviv to Budapest to Washington, though not one remains in the family seat on the Hungarian plain. At Sukkhot this year in Montreal I shall tell my daughters the story of the travelling *sukkah* for the first time, and wonder in what farflung corner of the globe it will be passed to their children — and if, in turn, my grandchildren will think of me when they pass it on. ■

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Montreal's Jewish Mountains

by Michael Greenstein

DAVID Roskies, a native of Montreal and currently editor of a leading Jewish journal, *Prooftexts*, looks back on his childhood city as both the Jerusalem of Canada and the Vilna of the New World: "a surrogate city in French Canada, with its Catholic churches, its river and mountain, its babble of tongues, somehow intimated the loss of the birthplace I never knew. There was even an old City, though it lacked a wall." A generation earlier, on a visit to the newly established Israeli consulate in Montreal, A.M. Klein wryly remarked: "What more natural than that in a city in which saints meet at every street-corner there should also be a parcel of Holy Land." As much as French babble impinged on the ears of immigrants, so Mount Royal with its crucifix impressed itself on Jewish eyes, and this audiovisual combination created a landscape unique among North American cities. When the inhabitants of St. Urbain's ghetto cast their gaze upward, they were forced to accommodate the mountain and its cross by transforming them into pre-Christian archetypes from Ararat to Sinai.

Klein climaxes his poem "Montreal" with an apostrophe to the mountain: "And you above the city, scintillant,/ Mount Royal, are my spirit's mother." Like the Romantic poets at the end of the eighteenth century, Klein associates the mountain with the Sublime — the landscape's ladder to heaven. But where the Romantic poets viewed the Alps as distant from any urban centre, Klein confronts his personal height within the city. Moreover, if Mount Royal is "almative, poitrinate" or suggestive of the maternal breast, it also belongs within his historical imagination as a reincarnation of Ararat, Moriah, and Sinai. That is, it functions as a haven, a place of sacrifice, and a locus of law and revelation, even as geographically it forms a "Pendant most brilliant on Laurentian cord!" Klein's maternal spirit or inspirational muse will continue to influence a number of his poems.

In "Lookout: Mount Royal" Klein further investigates his past association with his city's dominant feature. Remembering his own childhood — "the boy in blouse and kneepants on the road/trailing his stick over the hopscotched sun" — the poet invokes a pastoral scene that cannot but recall biblical precedents for Abraham Moses Klein. From the Olympian heights, Klein never loses sight of mankind, never loses himself in the mystical moment. Instead he grounds the scene in photographic realism: "to click the eye on motion forever stopped:/ the photographer's tripod and his sudden faces." And the geometric shapes in the landscape resemble a cubist canvas which leads to a first vanishing point: "making its way to the sought point, his home./ home recognized: there: to be returned to —."

Ever conscious of exile, Klein seeks a return homeward, not just to Montreal's ghetto at the base of the mountain but to historical promised lands around Ararat or Sinai. For even as he domesticates apocalyptic vision by keeping both feet on the slope of the mountain where his "lookout" becomes a moral beacon, so he concludes in a transcendent view of a "water-tower'd coast." Indeed, images of birds, water, and animals that recur through the poem suggest a "sunken parallel" with Noah and the Flood. Thus, the second and final vanishing point archetypally transcends Mount Royal in the unknown direction of Ararat: "then, to the remote rhapsodic mountains; then,/—and to be lost —/ to clouds like white slow friendly animals." This loss is simultaneously a gain, for Klein succeeds in moving mountains, in shifting perspectives, and in displacing the landscape of exile.

Mountain Translates Geography to History

These hints of translation from geography to history, from Klein's boyhood to the trajectory of a people, recur in "The Mountain" which opens with a general, externalized view:

Who knows it only by the famous cross which bleeds
into the fifty miles of night its light
knows a night-scene;
and who upon a postcard knows its shape —
the buffalo straggled of the laurentian herd, —
holds in his hand a postcard.

This kind of view offered in the first stanza is as superficial as a postcard, and as misrepresentative as the electric light which replaces the bleeding of crucifixion.

By the second stanza the poet introduces a more personal note and a corrective to postcard surfaces:

In layers of mountains the history of mankind,
and in Mount Royal
which daily in a streetcar I surround
my youth, my childhood.

Given Klein's final depression and his picture of the lonely poet at the bottom of the sea in "Portrait of the Poet as Landscape," we can see the importance of mountains and childhood exuberance for the aging man. Both as his spirit's mother and as the layered history of mankind, Klein strings earlier mountains on his Laurentian cord and shepherds other creatures toward the laurentian herd. Through his metaphoric mountain Klein joins his namesakes Abraham and Moses, while immersing himself in Montreal's reality on the slope and threshold of a never-reached promised land. For the drowning poet of the Diaspora, Ararat offered one hope of saving his voice.

Layton Carries On Klein's Tradition

Klein's younger friend Irving Layton picks up the broken tablets, shatters some of his own, and etches into the fragments biting satire and ethical humanism derived from the Jewish prophetic tradition. In "Mont Rolland" Layton identifies with the mountain that is pitiless towards men but filled with pity for trees, one of which has such enormous boughs "it might have remembered Absalom." Like Klein, Layton remembers his biblical heritage when he comes down from Quebec's mountains.

The liberal poet who accepts Jesus as his Jewish brother achieves an I-Thou relationship with his Christian city in "Reconciliation":

Betwixt the harbour
and the great Crucifix
the snow falls
white and astringent.

Like the snow falling between heaven and earth, the poet stands on his mountain — a "zwischemensch" — between two worlds symbolized by the polarities of active harbour and religious mountain. The snow is astringent in more than one sense of the word: it is severe as well as binding, for nature reconciles poet and city, crucifix and harbour, Christian and Jew.

The poet enters this scene in the second stanza where he initiates a process of dialectical reconciliation between himself and his estranged surroundings.

I can not cancel
this wind
nor the wild cries
of the pitiful men
that fling themselves
against the Cross
hang there a moment
lighted Christs
and fall like tears,
down the mountain's sides.

The shrewd dialectician finds himself powerless in the face of nature and a Christian majority that crucifies itself briefly before falling like the snow down Mount Royal.

In the penultimate stanza the poet turns to his lover, an unidentified "You" who resembles Montreal with its devout, beautiful, and perverse appetites. Layton concludes his poem with an image borrowed from Klein's "shaken tinfoil air":

and in the tinfoil air
I doubly marvel
that after estrangement
should come
such fine unhoped-for
delirium.

The poet who began betwixt and between works out "doubly" his astringent reconciliation and his I-Thou dialogue against a backdrop of Mount Royal highlighted by a foil crux. Those initial images of crucifixion end in another kind of resurrection — a spiritual delirium after an engagement with the reality of Montreal.

Mount Royal Grips its Burning Cross

Layton satirizes blind faith in "Montreal" which begins with a description of Sainte Thérèse — "who died of that or this/Hath made a miracle for us." Just as the cause of her death is unknown, so the results of her martyrdom are shrouded in the mysterious superstition of the blind, mute, and crippled who look to her image to be healed. "And like a swarthy Jesuit/ Mount Royal grips its burning cross" while poverty finds no cure. Layton concludes with an ironic rhyme where God looks on indifferently at his impoverished handiwork: "After a famine or a fire/God for a toothpick plucks a spire!" And the Jewish poet demystifies the spire and the cross with a different sermon on the mount.

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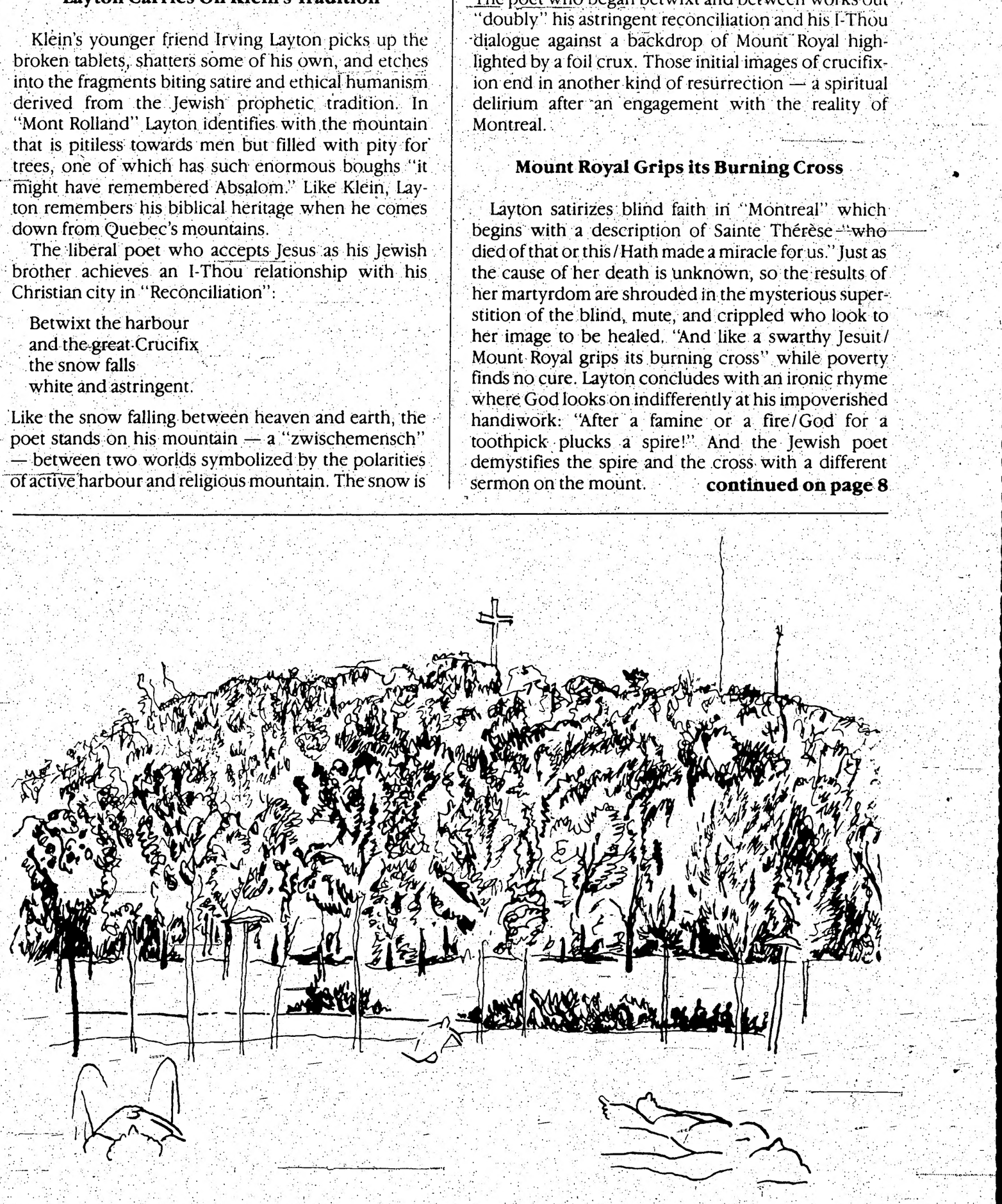

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In "Winter Fantasy" Layton again reduces and humanizes his Cross-capped mountain, transforming it from commercial notions of Christmas to an earlier meaningful time:

> I made, lo! the Cross which inflames our city
> plunge hideously through the electric air
> and turn into windowlights which glowed only
> through the recollection of a former brightness.

And in "Mount Royal" Layton omits any religious references and celebrates instead the sheer beauty of skiers on the mountain; lyricism and spontaneity now replace any satiric tones.

Leonard Cohen Dwells on Mountains

Layton's friend, Leonard Cohen, dwells on mountains, especially in his first novel, *The Favourite Game*. Lawrence Breavman, the protagonist of this autobiographical novel, grows up in Westmount and divides his time between the Laurentians and the St. Lawrence River, the romantic and realistic polarities in his name. Betwixt the harbour and the cross, and the comparative mythologies of two testaments, Lawrence Breavman poses a rhetorical question: "Can't you see me crucified on a maple tree at the top of Mount Royal?" If this "brief-man" or "bereaved" son sees himself as a Christ-like martyr, his father resembles an Old Testament figure who "took his cane... and led his son over Mount Royal. Here was the ancient crater. Two iron and stone cannon rested in the gentle grassy scoop which was once a pit of boiling lava. Breavman wanted to dwell on the violence." On the slopes of Mount Royal, Cohen reenacts events from Genesis to Deuteronomy, controlling violence through lyrical visions.

Studying his city, Cohen veers between the saintliness of his central character's St. Lawrence River and the priestly function of his own name. "He looked in awe at the expanse of night-green foliage, the austere lights of the city, the dull gleam of the St. Lawrence. A city was a great achievement, bridges were fine things to build. But the street, harbours, spikes of stone were ultimately lost in the wider cradle of mountain and sky." So the poet turns to nature to transcend the mechanical routine of his city.

Westmount Park a "Green Heart"

For Breavman, Westmount's park is a "green heart" where loving couples imagine poetry. In the midst of his mountain, skeptical Breavman questions his uncles' smug confidence in prayer: "When the curtains of the Holy Ark are drawn apart and gold-crowned Torah scrolls revealed, and all the men of the altar wear white clothes, why don't your eyes let go of the ritual?" Breavman creates his own Sinai to attack his family's worship of golden calves; nature's altitude replaces the institutional altar in Cohen's subversive ritual; and Westmount's Lookout provides the scene for revelations and epiphanies. As part of his apprenticeship, Breavman has to descend from Westmount and immerse himself in a harsher reality near the river, but even here he "thought of desert stretches so huge no Chosen People could cross them."

At summer camp in the Laurentians Breavman receives another sudden illumination connected to the mountains. "His father was involved in the hills, moving like a wind among the millions of wet leaves. Then an idea crushed him — he had ancestors! His ancestors reached back and back, like daisies connected in a necklace." Indeed, Breavman's coming of age revolves around this revelation and its consequential involvement with ancestral mountains where his forefathers came of age. In their family romance Cohen's spiritual father resides among the same elevations as Klein's spiritual mother.

Richler Sets His Sights on Mount Royal

If Leonard Cohen originates in Westmount and descends to the city, Mordecai Richler sets his sights on the heights of Mount Royal after a childhood spent in St. Urbain's ghetto. Like Lawrence Breavman, Noah Adler in *Son of a Smaller Hero* awakens to the beauty of Montreal while he sits on a bench on the mountain and defies the laws of his grandfather Melech. Escaping to the Laurentians, he imagines himself as a horse galloping to the top of the highest hill and braying louder than thunder. In place of the crucifix he is determined to be a light unto his city and his people, illuminating a sombre ghetto with his own aesthetic. In place of the lie surrounding his father's alleged attempt to save the Torah from fire, Noah searches heroically for the burning truth with newer laws in an ark of his own choosing. Both Richler and Cohen exchange a soci-economic Westmount for a higher historical ideal replete with beauty and moral purpose.

Where Richler's tough realism propels his characters up the mountain in quest of a vertical mosaic's pretensions, Yves Thériault turns instead to its symbolic and archetypal dimensions in *Aaron*. Thériault's novel combines twentieth-century Mount Royal with characters such as Aaron and Moishe in a timeless mélange: "C'est une caractéristique bien spéciale de Montréal, cette montagne sauvage, conservée intacte... Symbole de la sauvage grandeur du Canada... Un simple parc que ce Mont-Royal." Just as the experience at Sinai provided the People as a whole with a rite of passage from the desert towards settlement in Israel, so Mount Royal opens up a future for Aaron who falls in love with Viedna. Aaron transforms the mountain into an oasis in the Negev even as Thériault enjoys it as a backdrop for his own leap into the Jewish imagination.

Canadian Jewish Writers Fixated on "Magic Mountain"

Not only Montreal's writers are fixated by this Canadian mountain: two of Winnipeg's Jewish novelists — Adele Wiseman and Jack Ludwig — recreate its presence. Even though Wiseman's first novel, *The Sacrifice*, is ostensibly set in Winnipeg, an invented Mad Mountain dominates the unnamed city and assumes biblical proportions from the asylum of Ararat to the sacrifice at Moriah and the giving of the Law at Sinai. Ludwig's third novel, *A Woman of Her Age*, is set in Montreal and was originally subtitled "Down from the Mountain" since its opening focuses on Mount Royal's Lookout.

In "Literature and Ethnicity" Harvard ethnologist Werner Sollors comments that the tenement rooftop settings in Jewish-American writing function as Mount Sinai. Jewish-Canadian writing, by contrast, stages its idylls and conflicts between Old World past and New World future, between Old and New Testaments, and betwixt harbour and crucifix — on magic mountains. Imagining Moses on a Canadian Sinai, Isaac spared on Moriah, and Noah saved on Ararat, a lost northern tribe gains added vision from the summit's blinding light. Through her dream telescope Miriam Waddington achieves this vision of a counter-apocalypse:

> When this century
> rolls around
> to marvellous
> double zero
> it will be
> at the foot
> of a very old
> mosesmountain.

On a different level, the background of Covenant and Commandment obscures the Crucifixion. ■

POETRY

Last Chance

He ushered them all in hurriedly
and wondered — had he done right?
Why was he obeying the loud commands
given in the dead of darkness?
Why not abandon everyone
to shriek and howl
as the waves begin to rise
and water rushes in
to flush out mole, weasel and worm?
Let everything drown.
There will be no other time
or need to bring down
the doom of wrath.
Whoever broke this upon us,
let Him also stare
into the abyss of despair —
this is His last chance.

Covenant

The rainbow we were supposed
to behold the next day
or the day after
never appeared.
Our eyes grew strained,
our necks stiff,
and the heavy ashen clouds
settled over the hills and streams.
The fish rose to the top
and rolled over
like silver bombers in manoeuvres.

Who could believe it?
No rainbow, no
break of colour, no
sign? Someone's forgotten
we reasoned.
And we began to pray
for the cleansing rains again
and the waves rising
to wash our cities —
friend's and foe's alike —
with the green tow of return.

by Seymour Mayne

The Bagel Factory

We have a yen for a bagel.
Which to choose? The options
weigh heavily on our mind:
star-war decisions in
a state-of-emergency cabinet.

What smells! A mehiah!

A shoe factory
smells like leather.
A garment factory
smells like textiles.
A glue factory
smells like glue.

Ah, but a bagel factory
smells like heaven.

With fingers sensitive
as antennae, we poke and prod
the crusty creatures.
The baker manipulates
his wooden sheba-board
like a delicate baton, coaxing
exhalations of melodic fragrance.
It's a gastronomic symphony.

Flames lick the dough
a succulent toasty color.
Poppy seeds fan the air
with olfactory zest.
Time stops for a sniff.
The finest Chablis wine could never
compete with such a bouquet.
Property values rise
in the entire neighbourhood.

The baker beams, his red face
gleaming in the light of the stove.
He looks like a medieval cook
pulling pies out of the oven
for knights and ladies and their retinue.

Clutching the warm bags and squeezing
the delicious, fleshy rings of dough,
we make our way out of the shop
and back into the twentieth century.

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